

COMMENT OF  
THE DAY

Asking Too Much

THE casual reader may be justifiably bewildered at the contradictory attitudes prevailing in British industry on the subject of trade. He may have read only recently of the protests by the bicycle exporters (at the increase in US tariffs) and by an electrical engineering company which was deprived of a lucrative contract in America by discriminatory legislation.

From the British point of view these protests can be justified on many grounds. American markets are eagerly sought, hard fought and, to the home market, dearly bought. Dollars are a more than an intrinsically valuable commodity to a country which has laboured hard and not very successfully to build up its gold reserves in the postwar years, but more particularly because of the principle of discrimination establishes or confirms, than for the actual effect it has.

British bicycles will still be sent to America despite the new tariff schedules and the loss of the American contract (for generating equipment) for the Chief Joseph dam) does not materially affect the earning capacities of the electrical company. In fact it has possibly profited from the free publicity which the controversy produced.

BUT while one section of British industry loudly protests against discrimination, another section—Lancashire—becomes its vociferous advocate. Hongkong may well ask: is Lancashire's proposed discrimination against cheap Hongkong and Indian textiles more defensible than America's discrimination against British goods?

In a word, No. Both amount to the same thing. Both seek to support the dearer domestic product, to exclude the cheaper import. And both seek to shield the local industry. The British textile industry complains that cheap imports constitute an exceptional problem—that of "unfair competition"—and that it is being slowly strangled.

It wants to place Hongkong and Indian textiles in the same category as many prewar Japanese exports. This Empire trade is perfectly legitimate and there is no dumping involved. Besides, many British businessmen consider Lancashire has only itself to blame for many current problems.

IT is therefore unfair to expect the Board of Trade to embody two conflicting principles in its trading policies. It can be either for or against discrimination, but not both. There is now talk of starting a "Buy Lancashire" campaign in Britain to bring home to the Government the industry's problems. Given the choice the public may be expected, as always, to demand the best value for their money. Comparative costs favour the cheaper product particularly in the present inflationary conditions. And Hongkong should not be unduly affected.

The trouble with Lancashire is that few of the millowners are prepared to face realities. A Tory MP recently gave them what they considered gratuitous advice. He told them they must either make their goods competitive in other markets or put their money to better use elsewhere. About 20,000 workers have reached the same conclusion themselves this year and have left the industry. It is possible that with the country's present manpower shortage many others will turn to more secure employment.

It is time Lancashire took careful stock of its position. Reformation is urgently needed if the industry is to survive. But there is no case for protection or exclusion of Empire-made products.

Turks  
In Riot  
Over  
Cyprus

Istanbul, Sept. 6.  
Thousands of people carrying Turkish flags and portraits of the late President Kemal Ataturk, wrecked hundreds of Greek-owned stores and houses here tonight.

Shouting Ataturk's name and "Cyprus is Turkish," they destroyed shops and their merchandise on fashionable independence Street with sticks, stones, hammers and iron bars.

Police took strong security measures near the Greek Consulate and troops were called to help the Police.

HEAVY DAMAGE  
United Press said; damage to property was estimated at several million dollars. Many demonstrators were reported injured but the official figures are not known. The local Governor broadcast an appeal to the population to keep calm. But demonstrations grew in intensity and mobs broke through the garden gates of Istanbul's largest Greek Orthodox Church and set a building on fire.

Other demonstrators invaded another Greek Church and took down its bells. In Izmir demonstrators set fire to the Greek Consulate and the Greek pavilion at the International Fair grounds.

Boats with Turkish demonstrators approached Greek ships in the harbour but they raised anchors and sailed away.

The total number of fires in the demonstrations has been estimated at 17.  
A WARNING  
The riots were a sequel to the bombing of the Turkish Consulate at Salonika last night. "The Salonika explosion near the birth place of Turkey's former 'strong man,' Kemal Ataturk (1881-1938), the Republic's first President, occurred soon after midnight. Windows in the consulate and nearby houses were broken. There were no casualties."

A Greek Government spokesman later denied the outrage had been committed by Greeks. The Turkish Student Federation and other youth organisations as well as the trade unions called special meetings for tonight.  
A society called "Cyprus is Turkish" issued a statement denouncing the Salonika bombing and warned it might cause "Turkish patience to overflow."

—Reuter & United Press.

Five Die In  
Two  
Plane Crashes

Albuquerque, Sept. 6.  
A four-engine Globemaster plane, with 69 men aboard, crashed today during a takeoff from Kirtland Air Force Base. Only one man was killed, the Air Force announced.

It was not immediately known how many of the other 68 aboard were injured.  
Several were injured, the Air Force spokesman said. Most were given treatment near the burning ruins of the plane. Officials said it crashed either just before leaving the ground or immediately after takeoff.

Thirteen men made up the plane's crew and there were 56 passengers. It was also carrying a flying boxcar crashed and burned in a dense swamp on the banks of the Red River in Louisiana shortly after taking off from the England Air Force Base today. Four men were killed and two others were critically injured.—United Press.

HOLIDAY DEATH  
TOLL: 445

Chicago, Sept. 6.  
Labour Day traffic accidents in the United States killed 445 people, only a few short of the all-time record for the holiday, final figures showed today.—United Press.

New Drive Against  
Rebels Planned  
TROOPS FROM CANAL  
ZONE AS WELL

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Sept. 7.  
A commando unit of 630 Royal Marines left Malta by sea this morning to tackle terrorists in Cyprus. Military Police are also being flown in. And a light Fleet carrier, Ocean, is under orders to sail for the island colony as quickly as possible.

The 13,000-ton carrier will take equipment needed by the Army—armoured cars, Bren-gun carriers, small arms and ammunition.

This is now speeding by truck and lorry to Devonport Naval base. And the staff there worked all night getting equipment ready to load into the carrier. She was recalled last night from a "pleasure trip" to Penzance and is due to pass Plymouth breakwater at 8.15 a.m.

The Royal Marine commandos—80 officers and 600 men—sailed secretly from Malta before dawn yesterday in the LSTs Reggio and Striker. With them is the frigate, Meon, their headquarters ship for amphibious operations. The commandos are due in Cyprus on Friday.

More Naval Forces

An advance party of the first battalion of the South Staffordshire regiment arrived in Cyprus yesterday by air from the Canal Zone. Others follow today.

A Colonial Office spokesman in London said Naval forces were being sent to reinforce those already operating off Cyprus to prevent smuggling of arms to the island.

The Daily Express political correspondent, Derek Marks writes: The London conference on Cyprus is expected to end today or tomorrow in a deadlock. The Turkish and Greek delegations are planning to leave for home this weekend.

At a secret meeting of the conference yesterday, Mr Harold Macmillan put forward new British proposals for the future of Cyprus. I understand these proposals comprise three main points:

1. Cyprus should become a self-governing colony.
2. There should be special safeguards for the rights of the Turkish minority.
3. Britain will keep direct control of the island's defence and foreign policy.

DISARMAMENT TALKS

America Insists On  
Inspection Plan

United Nations, Sept. 6.  
The United States today placed in abeyance all its previous positions on world disarmament and insisted that a foolproof inspection system, as proposed by President Eisenhower, must be established first.

Authoritative American sources said Mr Harold Stassen, the special Presidential aide, told the U.N. Disarmament sub-Committee that the U.S. "placed a reservation" or any position Washington had taken on the disarmament question before the July Big Four conference in Geneva.

But Mr Stassen explained, the sources said, that the U.S. was not "withdrawing or disavowing" any of these positions but at the same time was not "reaffirming" them.  
Mr Stassen was said to have told the five-nation "sub-Committee" that the only American disarmament plan at this time was the Eisenhower plan for an exchange with Russia of military blueprints and the right of ground and aerial inspection of arms installations.

A "GATEWAY"  
He emphasised that from the time the President proposed the plan at the Geneva talks it was considered "only a beginning". He told the sub-Committee that such a beginning would "open a gateway" to disarmament.

Mr Stassen's position, authoritative sources said, was that the best scientific instruments today could not detect a thermonuclear bomb concealed 100 feet away from it.  
He found agreement with the Russians in the sub-Committee. Both he and the Soviet delegate, Mr Arkady Sobolev, held that there was no way in which track could be kept of the complete world supply of nuclear materials or to detect their diversion from peaceful to warlike uses.

Scientific changes in the past few years have forced the change in the American position, Mr Stassen said.

Film Star Has  
Eye Removed

New York, Sept. 6.  
Paul Muni, veteran star of stage and screen, had his left eye removed today in an operation at Mount Sinai hospital.

He had a tumour in the eye. The condition was discovered when Mr Muni complained of eye trouble while he was appearing in the lead in the Broadway play "Inherit the Wind," winner of the critics award.

A spokesman of Mount Sinai hospital said tonight that Mr Muni's right eye was unaffected and normal. The actor is expected to remain in hospital for four or five days.—Reuter.

British Aircraft In The News



Here are three pictures of British aircraft in the news at the Farnborough airshow:

(Top) The first photograph of the Fairey Delta 2 in flight, which will make its first public appearance this week. Most advanced research aircraft yet built in Britain, the Delta 2 is capable of exceeding the speed of sound in level flight over a considerable range of altitudes.

Its 60 degrees sweptback delta wings represent the most advanced configuration on a British aeroplane. It has a Rolls-Royce Avon turbo-jet and is fitted with Fairey powered flying controls. (Centre) The Fairey light helicopter has just completed successfully its initial test flights after several months of highly successful ground running. Designed primarily for Army observation and "runabout" duties, it is powered by a Blackburn-Turbomeca Palouste turbo-generator, which supplies compressed air to the Fairey pressure-jet units at the tips of the two-bladed main rotor.

The Fairey ultra light helicopter offers new standards of lightness, simplicity and economy, bringing tactical reconnaissance within reach of the commanders of small formations in the field. The pilot sits on the starboard side, facing forward, while the observer sits by his side, facing either forward or aft. This ensures a 360-degree field of vision, as the cockpit canopy offers no visual obstruction.

This aircraft can be transported on an Army three-ton truck and, with porter bars inserted in the undercarriage cross-tubes, can be moved manually. Maintenance requirements and fuel consumption are low.

(Bottom) This acrobatic team of four Hawker Hunter F1 fighters from No. 54 Squadron R.A.F. which will give performances at the S.B.A.C. flying display at Farnborough.

This Hunter quartet from No. 54 Squadron is the official acrobatic team of No. 11 Fighter Group.—London Express Photo.

Japan  
Building  
Rockets

Belfast, Sept. 6.

A Japanese scientist revealed today that Japan is building rockets which she hoped would be capable of reaching an altitude of 70 miles within the next two years.

Professor Takeo Hatanaka, of the Tokyo Astronomical Observatory, said in an interview that developments were still in their early stages.

But he said that Japan hoped to have rockets capable of such altitudes by 1957.

He was one of 53 scientists from nine countries meeting at Queen's University to discuss rocket and upper atmosphere research programmes.

Professor Hatanaka may give further details of the Japanese rocket launching programme tomorrow when he discusses recent work done in his country on night glow—one of the main topics at the two-day meeting.

Time To Fly  
Faster?

Dublin, Sept. 6.  
The second will soon be a shorter unit of time, as a result of a decision reached by the astronomers congress in Dublin.

Explaining this to a Rotary luncheon held today, Mr H. M. Smith, a member of the Royal Greenwich Observatory staff, said that the second has up till now been calculated as a particular fraction of the mean solar day and was not absolutely uniform in length.

The differences had become important to astronomers and physicists, so it was decided the future to calculate the second as a fraction of the year.

Mr Smith said this would mean that the second would be 0.0000018 per cent shorter than before.—Frankie-Press.

Cars Without Steering  
Wheels In Future?

Bristol, Sept. 6.  
The roads will drive the car of the future—not steering wheels—British scientists were told yesterday.

The car of the future was sketched for the British Association for the Advancement of Science by Mr J. M. McHardie, Director of Standards of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders. He said electronically operated controls would be built into the car, and "steering" in the highways would determine direction, speed and gear changes.

MOROCCO NATIONALISTS  
ADAMANT: "YUSSEF  
MUST RETURN TO RABAT"

Cairo, Sept. 6.  
Si Allal El Fassi, leader of Istiqlal, the Moroccan nationalist party, said here tonight "the Moroccan people will accept no solution other than the unconditional return of Sultan Mohammed ben Youssef to the throne in Rabat."

The black bearded Moroccan, living in exile here, told reporters "the Moroccan nationalists will never accept the idea of a regency council which only puts off the question of sovereignty for the Moroccan people and a legitimate sultan."

French plans for a "new deal" settlement in the troubled protectorate involved the replacement of the present Sultan, Ben Arafa, by a regency council and the transfer of Ben Youssef now in exile in Madagascar to a more comfortable home in France.

In Rome, six leaders of the Moroccan Istiqlal Party met for three hours in close secrecy today to discuss tactics in the light of the conference with the French at Aix-les-Bains.

"Strictly Private"

Mohammed El Fassi, brother of the Party leader, Allal El Fassi, presided over the morning meeting, which followed a preliminary conference last night. Mohammed El Fassi refused to disclose any details of the Rome talks and merely said they had been suspended to await the arrival of his brother from Beirut.

An Italian Foreign Ministry spokesman said the Moroccan meeting was "strictly private." He said the Foreign Ministry knew nothing whatsoever about the discussions.

Arab sources said, however, that the Istiqlal leaders were discussing the tactics to be followed in the light of the Aix-les-Bains talks with French leaders. The sources said the

Lennox-Boyd Praises

Hongkong's  
'Wonderful  
Resilience'

London, Sept. 6.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, said tonight Hongkong had shown "wonderful resilience" in building up prosperity and a great range of industries to make up for lost trade.

He said that very many formidable problems faced Malaya and Singapore on the verge of self-government.

Mr Lennox-Boyd, who was being interviewed on the radio, following his recent tour of British territories in the Far East was asked what further steps had to be taken by Malaya and Singapore before they would be self-governing.

He said formidable problems which were fully realised by the ministers in both territories concerned internal security, external affairs and defence and the whole position of the public services.

"All these things have to be fairly fully and frankly faced," he said. "No one can take decisions lightly or hastily. We are bound to watch with careful consideration how they grapple with their responsibilities."

"We have got to work on sure foundations," he added.

MAJOR PROBLEM

Communist terrorism was still a major problem, Mr Lennox-Boyd said in response to further questions. But the initiative had passed into the hands of the forces of law and order. Almost half the population were living in territories which had been fully cleared of terrorists and where the emergency regulations had been lifted.

But we have got to remember the danger when the Communists switch from open terrorism to subversion. That is going to be a big problem with which we shall have to deal."

A problem facing the Government of Singapore was how to deal with waves of strikes and industrial disputes that had been sweeping the Colony. This was a very big task. There were also the dangers of Communist subversion which were showing themselves in many ways.—Reuter.

Finns Going  
To Moscow

Heisinki, Sept. 6.  
President Juho-Kusti Paasikivi of Finland will visit the Soviet Union next September 15 on the invitation of Marshal Klement Voroshilov, President of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet. It was announced officially today.—France-Press.

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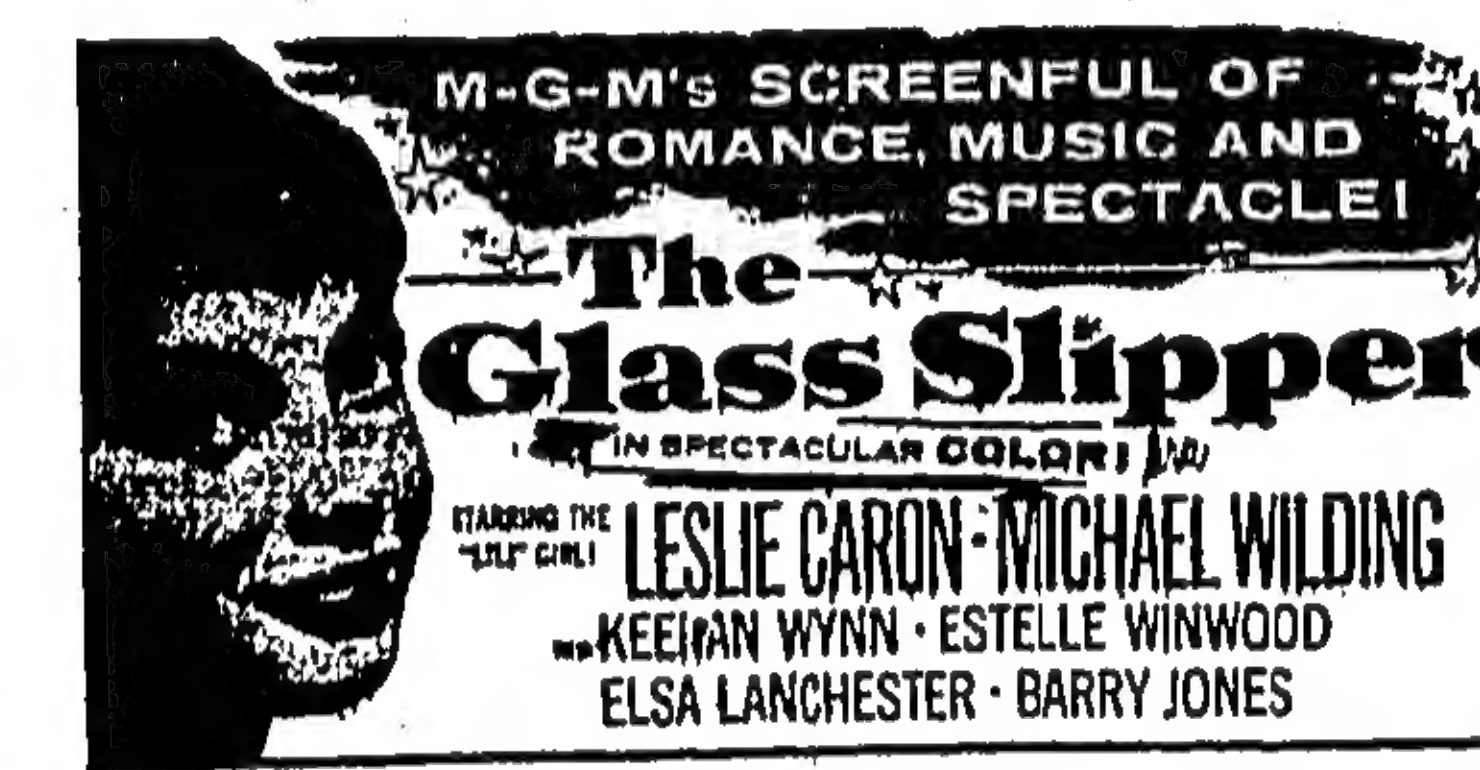
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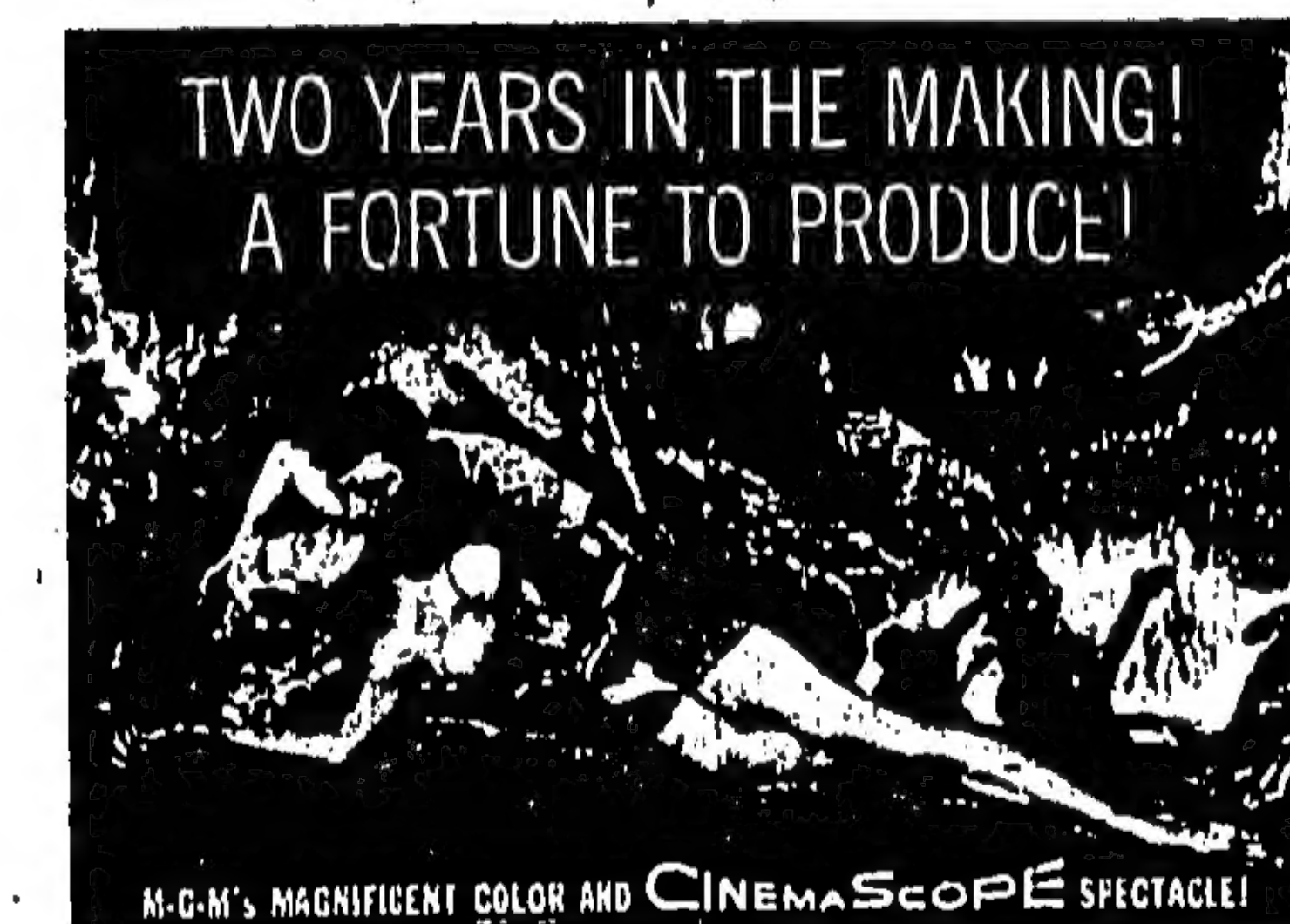


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## WESTERN ENVOYS SEE RUSSIAN

A-STATION  
Great Interest  
In British  
Nuclear Progress

Moscow, Sept. 6.

The British, United States and five other non-Communist Ambassadors returned here tonight after seeing Russia's atomic power station in "humming" action—the first visit ever to the station by Westerners living here.

Sir William Hayter, the British Ambassador, said on his return that the station was about 70 miles west southwest of Moscow.

37,000 TOBACCO  
SMUGGLERS

Rome, Sept. 6.  
Thirty-seven thousand people were denounced for contraband dealing in tobacco (a State monopoly) in the first six months of this year, Customs authorities announced here.

Most incurred a fine, but 1,600 were arrested for larger scale infringements. Customs officers sequestered at least 60 vessels smuggling tobacco from foreign ports and land patrols caught more than 500 motor vehicles carrying contraband. A total of 2,000 quintals of foreign tobacco (about 200 tons) was confiscated.

Other contraband confiscated included more than 12,400 watches, over a ton of saccharine and 64 kilograms (144 pounds) of drugs. A drug smuggling drive resulted in the arrest of 200 suspects. — China Mail Special.

Papers Rush  
Jap Names  
To Public

Officials Cautious

Tokyo, Sept. 6.  
The Japanese press tonight had bell-ringing runners selling special editions in Tokyo of newspapers carrying names of Japanese in Russia handed yesterday in London by the Soviet Union to Japan's delegate to the Soviet-Japanese negotiations.

While Japan's search for names of relatives official reaction was guarded. Officials said the release of the list indicated no substantial progress on the negotiations for a peace treaty—only the release of the Japanese themselves would be effective.

There was no indication that the detained Japanese would be released except the two countries agreed on a treaty. But official sources said Japan would be unable to sign any treaty before the repatriation issue was settled.

And according to Japanese figures the list falls far short of the number of Japanese not yet accounted.—Reuter.

Big Welcome  
For Greek  
Royalty

Belgrade, Sept. 6.  
The King and Queen of Greece arrived in Belgrade today to be welcomed by President Tito and the biggest crowd ever assembled in the capital's history for a foreign visitor.

The special train pulled into the belagged and brightly painted station precisely on schedule.

At the side of the train there was a brief ten-minute ceremony which the Yugoslavs, well trained by a long series of recent official visits, carried off like clockwork.

In ten minutes, the entire leadership of Yugoslavia was present to King Paul and Queen Frederika, the two national anthems were played, and the guard of honour reviewed.

From the station, the official party drove in open cars to the Old Palace.—United Press.

The building contained the atomic reactor control and other ultra-modern equipment. The other non-Communist Ambassadors to make the trip were: Mr. Charles Bohlen (United States), Mr. Rolf Söhlman (Sweden), Mr. Mario Di Stefano (Italy), Mr. Leopoldo Bravo (Argentina), Mr. Alfonso de Rosenzweig Diaz (Mexico), and Mr. Maung Ohn (Burma).

They were accompanied by Communist Ambassadors from Poland, Czechoslovakia and North Vietnam.

## Other Building

The British Ambassador said there were two main buildings—the reactor and the steam generating plant—in the station as well as some other buildings. Though there was "no indication" of what the new building might be. The atomic pile itself was "a big flat disc on the floor inside a huge shed."

They saw the station under operating conditions "with needles flickering on the dials and turbines humming, and wires and pylons feeding electricity into the grid." Due to dangers, the diplomats did not see all processes of the atomic pile, Sir William Hayter said. But they later saw a colour film of the station which showed these in detail.

The diplomats lunched with the director of the station in his villa just outside the compound on the edge of the valley. Nearby were their housing estates for about 1,000 people employed there.

"The director told us that it was good country for skiing and shooting," the British Ambassador said.

## Contrast

Another visitor to the station said he was struck by the contrast of "typical" Russian peasant villages along the road with heaps of apparently hand-threshed corn lying in places along the verge.

"And then you suddenly turned a corner and there before you is the atomic power station."—Reuter.

Motor-Cyclists  
Indignant

Port Elizabeth, Sept. 6.  
A great deal of controversy has developed in Port Elizabeth over the views recently expressed by a social welfare officer about youths on their motor cycles and their girl friends.

Mr. C. D. E. Kobus, principal welfare officer, had commented on youth with motor cycles who pick up their girls in Port Elizabeth's main street and drive for moonlight "love sessions."

Letters and telephone calls, mainly from indignant motor cyclists, have reached the Social Welfare Department.

They resent that motor cyclists only have been singled out. Motorists are greater offenders, they maintain.

One motor cyclist wrote to say that his girl friend now refused to ride on his cycle. He asked for advice from the department.—China Mail Special.

## Hunt For Rebels



The arms pile grows at Oued Zem, scene of the savage massacre where 8,000 rebel tribesmen laid down their arms before General Andre Franchi, Commander of the Casablanca region. Meanwhile, French troops drive deeper and deeper into the mountainous country of Central Morocco where several thousand rebel horsemen, given eight days to surrender, are hiding.—Express Photo.

MEN ARE WORSE  
BLUSHERS  
THAN WOMEN

Bristol, Sept. 6.  
People who blush easily worry about what other people think of them, fret about their health, and don't like jazz music — and the men are worse than the women.

These were some of the conclusions reached after a study of 200 patients (100 men and 100 women) attending the Tavistock clinic, London, the psychology section of the British Association for the Advancement of Science was told in a lecture here today.

The lecture room was crowded, and when Dr Joseph Sandler, research psychologist at the clinic, said that a typical blusher who came late to a meeting would rather stand at the back than take a seat in the front, there were rosy faces among women at the door.

The blush of a young girl was often a most charming attribute, when accompanied by lowered eyelids, might stir the most insensitive of masculine hearts, Dr Sandler began.

The normal blush fulfilled a most important function in the propagation of the human species. It was a sign of interest and reception, and showed a readiness to be courted.

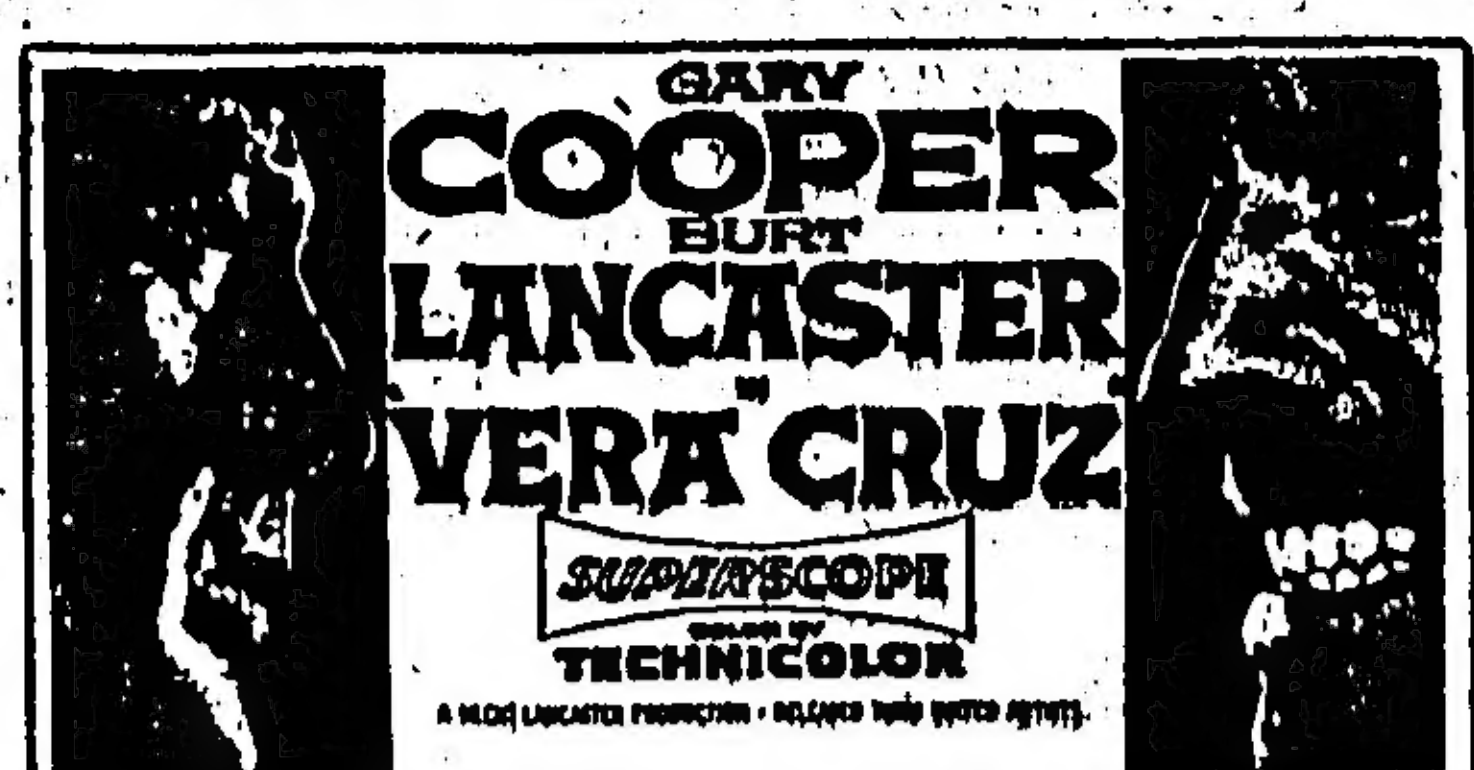
But there was another side to blushing which could be the source of the utmost embarrassment. It could lead people to avoid company, and seek psychiatric help.

There were many devices which blushers resorted to, such as wearing broad brimmed hats, acquiring a deep sun-tan with an ultra violet lamp, or feigning a coughing fit as an excuse to bring out a handkerchief and cover up.

Fair skinned blond people were most prone to blushing than others. "The personalities of male and female blushers were found to be very similar, though the male blushers were far more severely disturbed than the women."

## QUEEN'S &amp; ALHAMBRA

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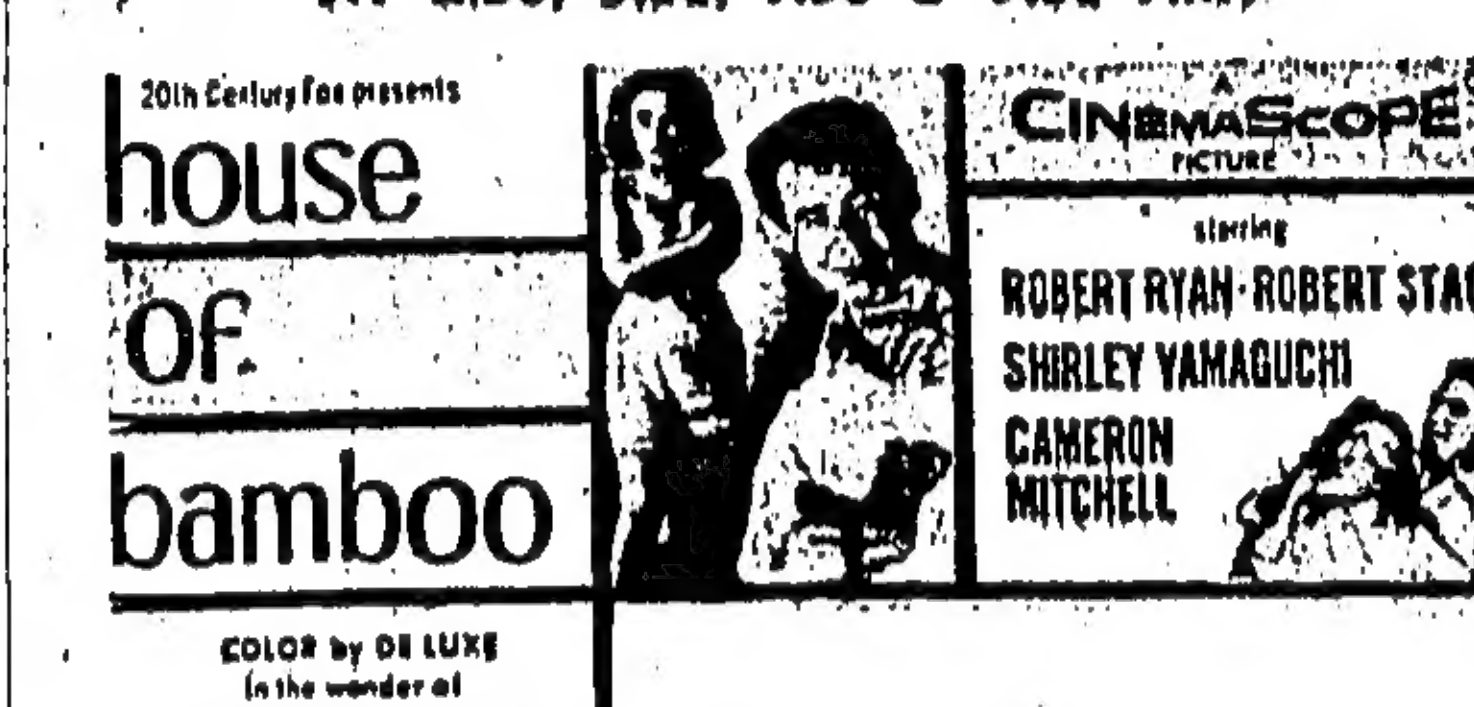


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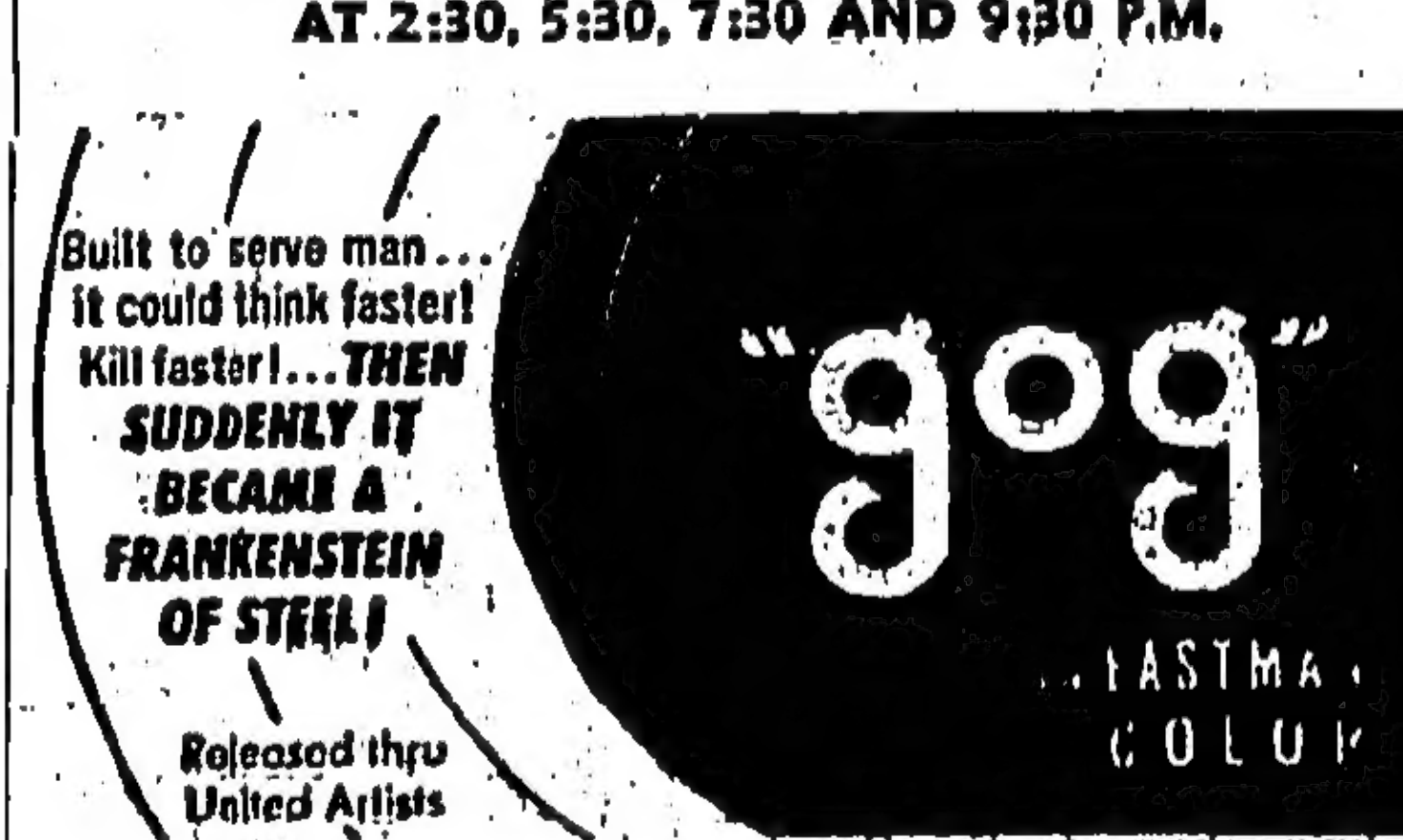
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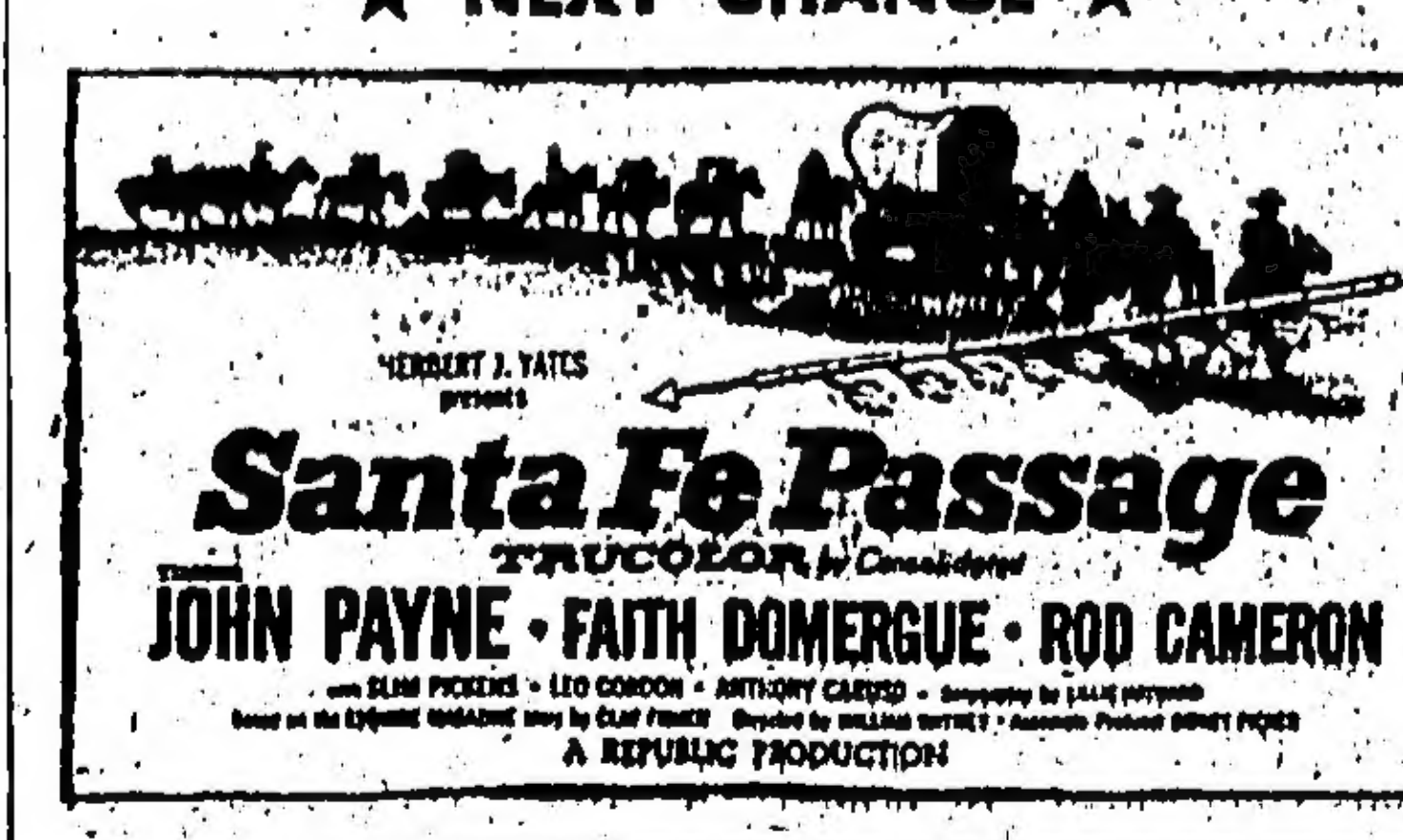


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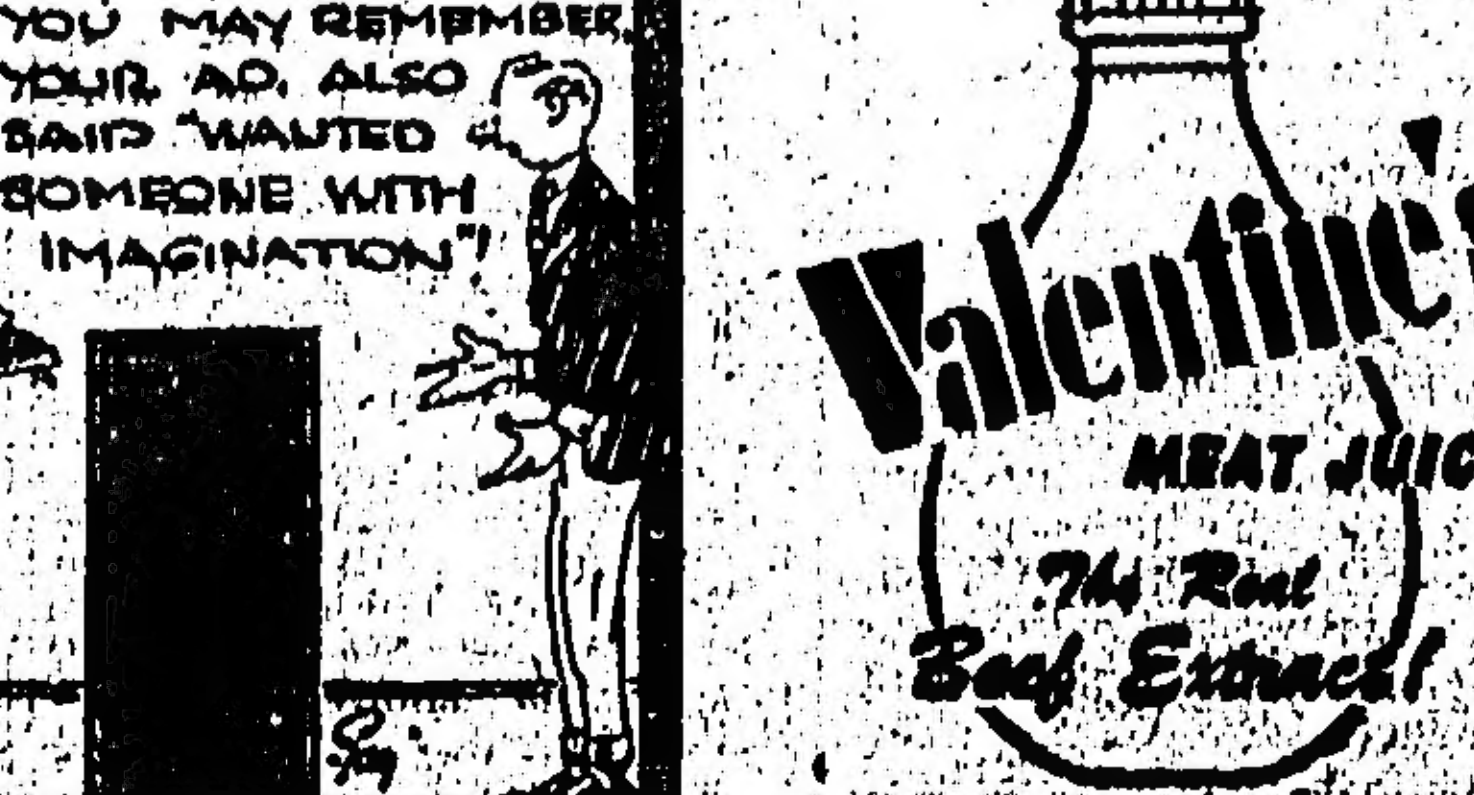
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## British Coal Production Down

London, Sept. 6. British coal production to date this year has fallen by almost 3,600,000 tons below that for the same period last year, the Ministry of Fuel and Power announced tonight.

According to provisional figures, production of deep mined and open-cast coal for the first 35 weeks of this year totalled 145,382,000 tons—3,500,100 tons less than for the same period last year.

The Ministry said that the amounts estimated as lost because of labour disputes, recognised holidays and similar causes rose by nearly two million tons since the beginning of the year.

It placed these losses at 13,000,000 tons, compared with 11,000,000 tons for the same period last year.

Total available production last week was 4,277,000 tons—80,200 tons more than the week before but 51,000 tons lower than for the week ended September 4, last year.—Reuter.

## Who Will Pay For The Robots?

Bristol, Sept. 6. PEOPLE who think that automation—robot-run factories—will do their work for them while they sit back are quite mistaken, an economist warned here today.

Mr F. R. Eeles, of Sheffield University, told a meeting of the economics section of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

"Such people would be well advised to recall that the introduction of any new and highly productive equipment has usually been held as about to usher in a period of less work and more leisure."

"But instead of producing the same amount as before in a shorter time, the inventions have eventually been put to work for about the traditional number of hours and thus been used to produce more goods than before."

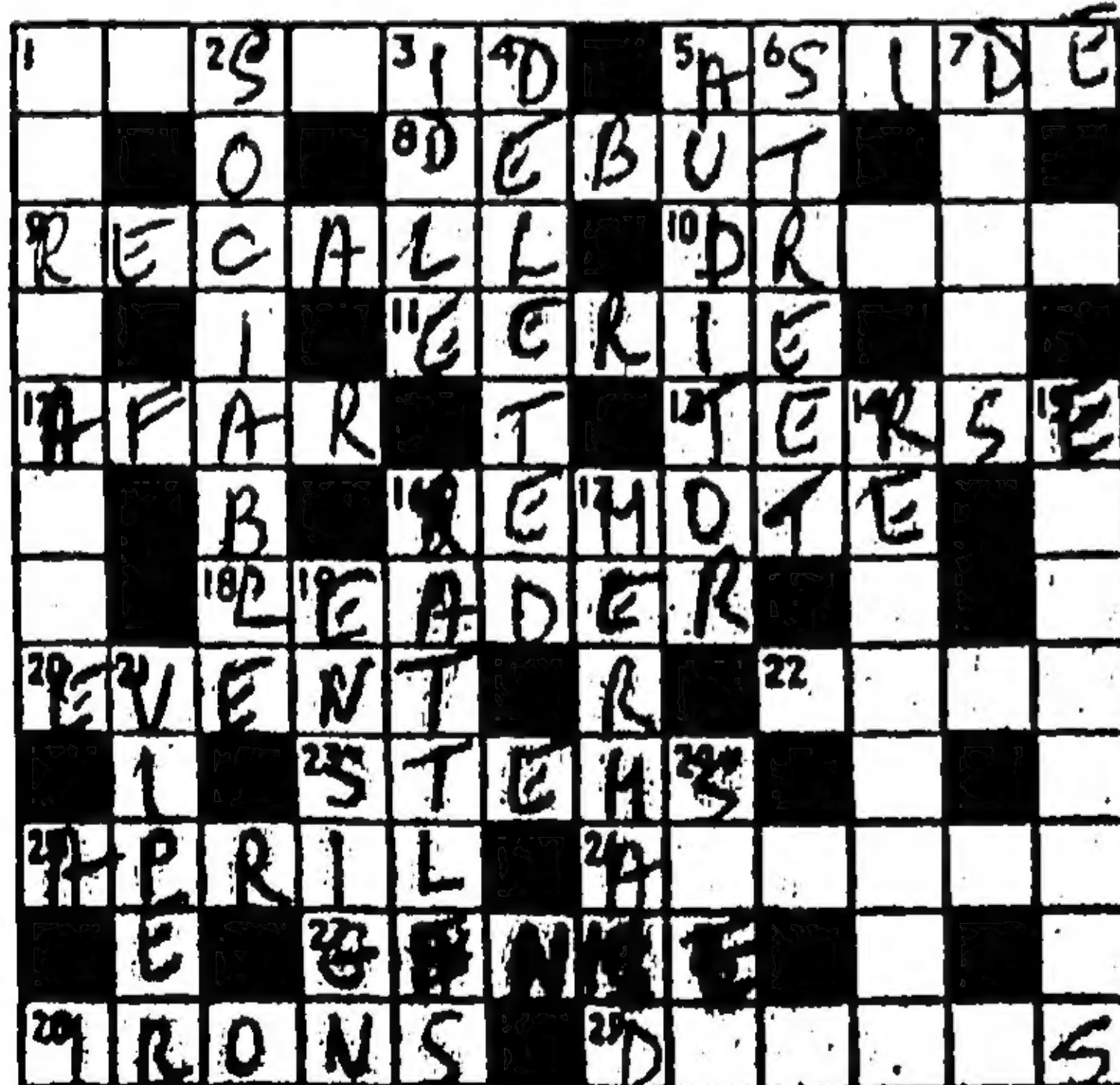
A more realistic way to face automation, was to consider how the immense initial cost of automatic installations was going to be paid for, Mr Eeles added.—China Mail Special.

Columbia, Sept. 7. Ceylon's Prime Minister, Sir John Kotelawala, now gets a regular fan mail from school children who write to him as "Uncle John."

It all started when at a recent athletic meet for schoolgirls, Sir John told the girls: "Forget that I am your Prime Minister and call me Uncle."

In one of the letters that arrived lately there was in addition a tiny present—two cadujs nuts for "Uncle."—China Mail Special.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Sticky (6).
  - 5 Apart (5).
  - 6 First appearance (5).
  - 9 Recollect (6).
  - 10 Comic (5).
  - 11 World (5).
  - 12 At a distance (4).
  - 13 Conclude (5).
  - 14 Distant (6).
  - 15 Chief (6).
  - 16 Occurrence (5).
  - 22 Wingless bird (4).
  - 23 Checks (5).
  - 24 Month (5).
  - 25 Wireless accessory (6).
  - 27 Spirit (5).
  - 28 Fellers (5).
  - 29 Idlers (5).
- DOWN**
- 1 Changeable (8).
  - 2 Liding company (8).
  - 3 Lazy (4).
  - 4 Expunged (7).
  - 5 One who examines accounts (7).
  - 6 Thoroughfare (6).
  - 7 Blockheads (5).
  - 14 Review (5).
  - 15 Gives a right to (8).
  - 16 Annoys (7).
  - 17 Fabulous female (7).
  - 18 Flag (6).
  - 21 Snail (5).
  - 24 Booby (4).

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## Western Europe Feeling Strain

### On Economy NEAR CRISIS IN GREAT BRITAIN Balance Of Payments

London, Sept. 6.

Western Europe, whose economy was prospering last year at the time of a United States recession, is beginning to feel the strain of inflation.

Signs of inflation have become marked in the two leading industrial nations of Europe, Britain and West Germany. The situation is the more serious in Britain where a near crisis has been reached in the balance of payments, the vital accounts which show whether the country is paying her way in world trade.

Paradoxically France, which has long been regarded as the "sick man of Europe"—economically speaking—and which is afflicted by chronic budget deficits and an overvalued currency, shows no sign of these difficulties.

In France, in fact, signs of inflation are fewer than in any other country in Europe. For the first time France last year had a surplus with the European Payments Union—clearing house for European trade—and the surplus has been maintained in the present year.

#### Britain

But Britain's economy is back in its familiar post-war pattern of "odd year" crises. There was a crisis in 1947 when the pound's return to sterling convertibility had to be abandoned, another one in 1949 when sterling was devalued by 40 per cent, and yet another in 1951.

The year 1953 passed without trouble and it is hoped that the return to orthodox measures of financial control brought about by the Conservative government had ended the recurrent crises.

But 1955 seems to be falling into the old pattern again.

The signs of the new crisis are the growing import bill, unmatched by an equivalent gain in exports, rising domestic prices and wage demands by labour, and a prolonged weakness of the pound sterling in the world's foreign exchange markets.

Last month the Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, interrupted his summer vacation to warn the country that it was not paying its way.

Since then there has been a sharp break in the three-year-old "bull" market on the Stock Exchange and financial opinion in London is apprehensive over new measures the Government may take to restore the situation.

Hitherto the British Government has been attacking inflation by orthodox monetary means. The Bank of England's discount rate was raised by one half to 3½ per cent in January and a few weeks later was raised by a full point to 4½ per cent.

#### Race On

It now is clear that these measures did not have the desired effect. Money was made dear but it was not made scarce.

The banking system in Britain contrived to maintain its liquidity despite the Government's pressure by selling its stocks of Government bonds. Bank advances to industry continued to rise until the end of July by which time the inflationary situation had been complicated by paralyzing strikes in the docks and on the railways which further worsened the balance of overseas payments.

At the beginning of August the Government ordered the banks to reduce the overall level of their advances by 10 per cent. This tightened the monetary controls making money scarce as well as dear.

A British Treasury official analysed the situation this week by saying that there is a race on between the restrictive monetary measures which are now working slowly but surely and the ebbing of foreign confidence in sterling. If confidence evaporates too fast there could be a run on sterling which might exhaust Britain's scanty reserves of gold and dollars before the monetary measures have time to do their work in putting right the underlying payments position.

Rumours of further devaluation of the pound—now 280 in terms of dollars—have been denied by the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr R. A. Butler.

Sir Anthony Eden said in August that his Government would "not jeopardise the future"

for the sake of the present"—words that have been taken to mean that sterling will not be devalued.

A further move in the battle for confidence is expected at the gathering of Finance Ministers in Istanbul next week for the annual session of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund. Mr Butler is expected to do his utmost to assure his colleagues there that the British Government will tackle its difficulties with strong domestic measures and will not allow sterling to depreciate.

In West Germany the symptoms of inflation appeared later than in Britain and are not yet so pronounced. The danger signal went up on August 3 when the Bank Deutscher Laender, the bank of issue, raised the bank rate from three to 3½ per cent.

Unofficial strikes and wage cancellations by trade unions have complicated things and the Government is now working out plans to fight a new wage price spiral.

#### Teething Troubles

The troubles besetting West Germany's economy are diagnosed as the "teething troubles" of full employment. The number of unemployed has now fallen to barely half a million compared with a labour force of over 17 million and for the first time there are beginning to be shortages on the labour markets.

The difficulties are not financial ones in the field of foreign currency for the Bank Deutscher Laender has a gold and foreign currency reserve of 11,000 million marks (almost £1,000 million), its highest ever and West Germany is still making a trade surplus every month.

But labour wants to enjoy the fruits of many years of hard work. Labour is now asking for another round of wage increases averaging about ten per cent.

The unions are backing their claims with the cost of living index which rose recently for the first time in many months and will rise still higher with the increase in rents which took effect this month and expected increases in milk and possibly coal prices.

The unions are also pressing for a 40-hour week though there seems little dissatisfaction with the present 48-hour week.

The West German Government will counter with industry, trade and labour its coming weeks to bring labour peace. It wants to lower prices by concerted action rather than have another wave of wage increases which would further increase inflationary pressure. The atmosphere has improved recently. Prices have stopped rising in many fields and when the Frankfurt Consumer Goods Fair opened this week prices were reported stable.

#### Elsewhere

Elsewhere in Europe the Scandinavian countries are having trouble with rising prices labour unrest and a shortage of foreign currency. With the exception of the special case of France inflation seems to be general.

Economists claim that the causes are world-wide. The under-developed countries of the Far East are pressing on with industrialisation programmes that in many cases are not backed by domestic savings.

The level of employment has been at record heights in West Europe for two years and finally the United States economy has moved from recession to boom. In the circumstances it is not surprising that monetary authorities the world over are suffering the interest rates and lending terms to counteract the boom.

Reuter.

## Mau Mau 'Marshal'



This is one of the only two photographs known to exist of the former dairy clerk who calls himself "Field-Marshal Sir" Dedan Kimathi, "Prime Minister of the Kenya Parliament of the Abodares." He is the overall commander of the Mau Mau terrorists in Kenya and is reported to be insane. Details of his private papers captured when he fled from a forest hideout last January were released by the Kenya Government last week. The documents are said to "emphasise the warped mentality and acute mentalism" of Kimathi. The picture of "Sir" Dedan was taken by a fellow terrorist and shows that, like many of the Mau Mau, he dresses his hair in spikes and rings to give the appearance of greater stature. The "Marshal" is about 36 years of age. He has directed several daring operations and escaped death or capture a number of times.—Reuterphoto.

## EARTH SPOUTING SULPHUR

### Mexico May Have New Volcano

Mexico City, Sept. 6.

A fissure in a cotton field spewed sulphur, hot rocks and boiling mud today, raising conjecture that a new volcano was being born in Mexico near Mexicali.

Mexicali police said 14 fissures split the earth suddenly, starting Saturday, and one began rumbling and throwing debris 70 to 90 feet into the air, 14 miles south of this border town which is 170 miles southeast of Los Angeles.

Sulphurous gases belched forth and steam shot out.

Mexicali to San Felipe on the Gulf of California.

A group of volcanologists from Mexico City reportedly was flying to the scene today to determine whether this was the third volcanic eruption in the past decade in Mexico.

The last volcano discovered in the sparsely populated north-western portion of Mexico was Buceron (Big Mouth), first noted in September 1952 on San Benedicto Island, about 250 miles south of lower California.

#### Most Famous

Mexico's most famous volcano of the 20th Century is Paracutin, which first burst forth in a farmer's cornfield in Central Mexico near Morelos. It put on a show for several years, tossing out lava and white hot rock.

In a year it had developed a cone 1,500 feet high. It died out two years ago.

A scattering of local farmers reportedly was watching the eruptions south of Mexicali this morning on the field near the Wisteria Canal, an irrigation ditch which goes through some remote territory. The location is several miles west of the San Felipe Highway, a secondary road leading south from

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## Menon Concerned Over Far East

Bombay, Sept. 6.

Roving Ambassador V. K. Krishna Menon, speaking during a debate in Parliament on foreign affairs, described the Far Eastern situation as "causing much concern."

Referring to Indo-China, he said:

"South and North Vietnam are one state, not two. So India's responsibility is to find ways and means of helping to obtain elections."

In reference to the Big Four conference and Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru's visit to Russia, Mr Menon said:

"Both Russia and America want peace. Both countries agreed to hold direct talks, which in itself was a great contribution toward the lessening of tension."

#### Sit Together

He expressed belief that Russia and America are sitting together to discuss the issue of disarmament and that they have agreed to allow each other to inspect their respective countries, but he added:

"The stronger they become the more afraid of each other they become."

Regarding China, he said:

"A country with such a vast army of population could not be ignored. So no agreement is complete without China. We have to bring her in whether or not we dislike her."

He expressed hope that Nepal, Libya and Ceylon will be admitted to the United Nations.—United Press.

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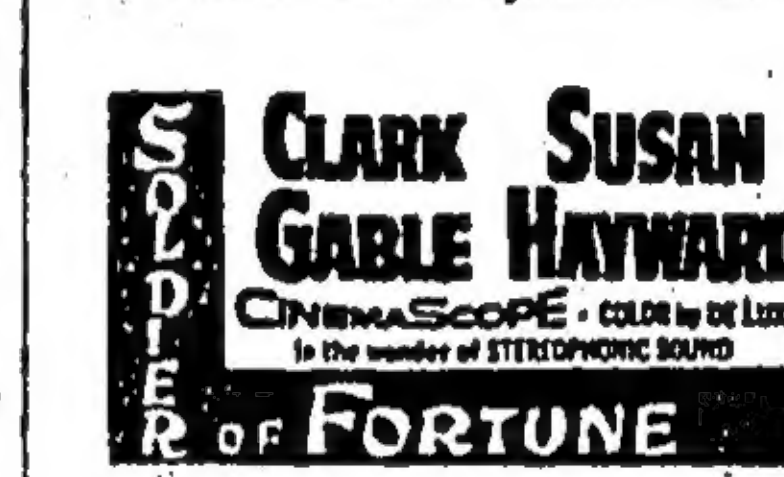
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# MICKEY FINN

(Persian style)

I HAD just come off a road convoy three days out from Baghdad and had half the dust in Persia on my uniform and the balance of it down my throat when I walked into Weinstein's Cabaret on the Lalezar. It had been hotter than an orchid-house in Baghdad, but, driving through the Paytak Pass, we ran into snow, and the nearer we got to Teheran the colder it became.

The great gold dome of the mosque at Kom sparkled like an electric globe in the icy air and the streets of Teheran seemed to huddle together for warmth against the refrigerating blasts that swept down from Mount Demavend.

Inside Weinstein's ("V for Victory, Double V for Weinstein") was the old Russian's slogan) a band of Free Bulgarians was swinging it fit to burst your eardrums and a free (and easy) Armenian burmala was clinging out the vodka-vermouth at 10 cents a glass.

I had put down a couple of these when I saw a girl sitting by herself in the corner. She was tall and very thin and a mop of soft gold hair hung down on her shoulders. She wore a brown silk dress with long sleeves. Her face was white and dreamy, her eyes large and brown. She had that look you used to see in Garbo in the close-up; lost and forlorn, like a girl who finds the whole world slipping away from her and doesn't really care, because she never thought much of the world anyway.

## Astonished

Astonished to see such a girl in a Persian cabaret, I went over and asked her to dance. Conversation was difficult because her English was of the sort that spread out thin, will scarcely cover a sixpence. But she managed to tell me how she got there.

"In 1941 I play cabaret in Cairo. Money good. But they say I am enemy alien. I am keeled out. First to Haifa. I am keeled out. Then Beirut. Keeled out again. Cross desert in bus to Baghdad—bustle place.



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white girl in cabaret can't go. I get ride in lorry to Teheran.

"It's midwinter and two days we stick at Hamadan in the snow. But the Greek who drives looks after me. Then when we get here he says I must work many weeks in cabaret to pay him my fare. This I commence until a Rooshian came, Gay Pay-OO gentleman, very polite, and he says: 'I think this Greek not Greek at all. I pick him up. So I am no longer troubled with the truck driver.'

I glanced round the cabaret, at the rows of sweating soldiers at the bar, and I said: 'I bet you had plenty of trouble since.' She sighed—with such sweet resignation—and said: 'I used to mind trouble once-a-time. But now I know how to deal with it.'

When the curfew came and the tribal chants of the four Allies had been played, she let me take her home. In the silvery chill of the street, I briefly remarked that it was hard to believe one was in the Orient.

"I don't try," she said. "Such a night is yulet like Finland." "I guess you don't notice your surroundings much. You lead a

life inside yourself, don't you?" "Sometimes I think I don't really live life at all—that I never live in this country. But don't think I am unhappy. I had good times, and my friends, too."

"Let's have good times tomorrow. What about lunching with me out at Darband?"

"Orlight. You fetch me at twelve."

It was there on time. In the dingy lobby of her hotel a Syrian clerk sat polishing his nails. When I asked for Mademoiselle Mickey he told me she would not be back till evening. I disbelieved him and waited half an hour, but came away at last, telling myself that many a better man had been two-timed before by a cabaret girl and that I had best think no more of it. Next day I went up to Tabriz to visit a Red Army division that was in training to defend the Caucasus and it was a week before I got back to Teheran. Night birds are rarely seen in daytime and, though I was up and down the Lalezar constantly, I never saw Mickey or any of her colleagues from Weinstein's.

Then one evening I ran into Sandy Ellison, a friend of Washington days. The wine of reminiscence flowed free and it was not long before we found ourselves at Weinstein's watching the dancers and drinking Persian brandy.

Mickey was dancing with a fat old Iraqi, but dropped him as soon as she saw us. She was so sweet that my resentment against her melted immediately. I heard her excuses without caring if they were sincere or not.

## A chance

All that mattered was that she was pleased to see me now. An Armenian girl called Rosa joined us and kept Sandy occupied while Mickey and I spent the evening together, alone on a wave of surging intimacy. Sandy, meanwhile, was getting more than merely drunk, and at curfew time I asked her to wait while I got my friend into the truck that would take him back to his camp. I could not have been gone more than five minutes.

But when I got back Mickey was gone.

Have you ever been wounded? In the convalescent stage

SHE sighed— with such sweet resignation—and said: 'I used to mind trouble once-a-time. But now I know how to deal with it.'

★

by Alaric Jacob

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the thing to do is to think as little as possible about the wound. You have to absorb yourself in thoughts of normality to give yourself a chance to heal.

That is what I did for the next few days. In any case, my Soviet visa would arrive at any moment now and I would have to fly on to Moscow. So I made a vow, and kept it, not to enter Weinstein's again.

Then one day a ragged little Persian boy came to my billet with a letter. Inside was a hotel menu on which Mickey had written: 'I am sorry for what occurred. Why I not see you any more? Please to chew I am good, come take coffee with me tomorrow noon at Grimaldi's.—Yours Mickey.'

## Third time

I gave the boy a few reals and he ran off through the snow with my acceptance, making little indentations like a bird where his feet touched the white expanse.

As I sat there I wondered: 'Will she fall for me again? Could such pointless malice be possible? Maybe this is a Finnish practical joke. Or else she seeks to prove me, as women did in the Middle Ages.'

I studied a Persian paper closely, without understanding a word. After 20 minutes I felt in my bones I was being had for a third time. Then I thought: 'Third time lucky.'



Besides, this can't happen to me."

Then through the shop window I saw Rosa, the Armenian, strolling with her arm lace in that of a Persian officer, returning in his mustard-coloured cloak and hooked sword.

The sight of her sauntering in easy assurance with her man, brought me to my feet. I strode out of the cafe and almost ran to Mickey's hotel. The Syrian clerk looked startled when I asked for Mickey. Mickey My voice must have been very loud. "Sorry, sir, Miss Mickey is not receiving."

"She's receiving me. Give me that key."

I leant over and snatched the key and ran up the stairs two at a time. I heard the clerk come running in pursuit. I answered. I fitted the key and thrust it open.

The room was in darkness. I switched on the light. Mickey was lying on the floor, fully dressed. She had evidently fallen out of bed in that state. I called out to the clerk. "Phone for a doctor," and bent over her.

I heard the clerk say: "A doctor? For us we cannot have a doctor every day."

Mickey's face was dead white, with scarlet patches on the cheek bones. She was breathing heavily through her open mouth. Her hair was tangled and the roots of it, over the temples, were darkened with sweat. Her air of beautiful fragility had quite gone. Tearwater had run from the corner of each eye, staining the cheek. The mouth dropped sourly, the mouth of a sick woman.

## Half full

Then I saw the bottles. One empty, lying on the floor, with its label torn off, but when I picked it up I smelt the brandy. The other, half full on the bed table, on which was a tin mug without a handle. Then I understood why the room smelled rank, why the breath of the drunken girl, when I bent over her again and tried to shake her into consciousness, struck me with something of the terrorizing

chill of the grave, with the horror of flesh once lovely fast slipping into the oblivion of decay.

On the dressing table I picked up some pieces of paper scattered among the disordered articles of make-up. What had been a sheet of Army newspaper had been torn and torn up again, into tiny fragments. On them I recognised my own handwriting. From far off I heard the clerk say, "Leave her. It is no use." As I passed out of the room the sun shone brightly on the stairs. Closing the door softly behind us, the clerk said: "As you see, sir, Miss Mickey is not receiving today." As I made no comment he added: "But I understand that on Tuesday, to celebrate her 23rd birthday, she will be quite a party."

## Regret

My heart was sore with pity and a bitter regret for her. And for myself. After the first moment of believing I had found the sad key to Mickey's character at last, it then seemed that the mystery around her was even deeper than before. Did this girl who seemed all composed of sensibility and affection, detest the whole race of men?

Could she have known some sorrow so profound as to make her reject life entire, in favour of fantasies out of a bottle? Was the love she might have given me mortgaged, beyond hope of redemption, to alcohol?

That afternoon my visa came and I left Teheran, never to return. And it is this weight of unanswered questions that holds Mickey in my mind today.

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# NATHANIEL GURBINS

I AM glad to see that in answer to a letter in a newspaper from a South African saying the British seem miserable and neurotic there has been a spirited reply from another visitor who found us happy, healthy, and cheerful.

If the second correspondent is right I can only offer the opinion that we are keeping up our reputation for grinning and bearing things.

Most of us have grinned our way through one world war. Older people have grinned their way through two. No doubt we have enjoyed the experience immensely.

There is also income tax. There is nothing like as much as having nearly half our earnings stolen from us and, for one, am almost hysterical with delight when I read that I have paid for the expensive medical treatment of some unknown foreigner.

If it were not enough to make us happy, there is the excitement of insecurity. Nobody owning a house knows when some local or Government authority will knock it down and pay him a couple of pounds compensation.

This makes us laugh like mad because if it happened in Russia people would shake their heads and say: "Those wicked Communists."

Then there is postwar noise. Who but a miserable reactionary does not enjoy the roar of faster and faster motor-cycles, the buzzing of mechanically propelled bicycles, and the screaming of jet aircraft which might break all your windows when they crack through the sound barrier?

Why, they might even fall on your house and blow it to bits before the authorities can knock it down.

It is living dangerously that makes us all so cheerful.

## Wild, Wild West

It is while I am reading the first leader in The Times that the little girl who is my guest suggests that I might prefer to read her paper.

She tells me that a new cowboy serial is beginning in the current number, and I gather that this is a chance of a lifetime.

"If you start today," she says, "you won't miss any of it." Her paper is the same price as "The Times"—4d.—and I must say that for those who prefer exciting stuff like Tarzan the Jungle Boy, Our Gang, and Sammy and His Speed Sub, to letters about Civil Servants' Pay, Oxford Road Plans, and Gold Coast Politics, it is certainly worth the money.

So we throw away The Times and while the little girl munches candy-floss over my

shoulder, we are soon lost in the new picture story, with balloons of Cliff McCoy and his horse Slecker.

The story begins with action in the first picture, which is more than you can say of first paragraphs of many stories in The Times.

Cliff sees an unarmed Indian on horseback being chased by cowboys firing revolvers. He asks his horse: "What goes on down there?" but, as the horse either doesn't know or won't answer, Cliff gallops to investigate.

In the fourth picture the Indian falls off his horse, and in the fifth Cliff is facing the cowboys, saying: "Howdy, gents. What's all the excitement?"

You can almost hear his calm, quiet voice as he looks unafraid at the pointed guns of the bad men. You know they are bad men because of their evil fakes.

Then, as we read the balloons together, the leading bad man says to Cliff:

"Out of my way, fancy pants. We're taking that Indian back to town."

It is the term "fancy pants," a sarcastic reference to Cliff's elegant trousers, that reduces the "little girl" to helpless laughter. In fact, she laughs so much and waves her arms so wildly that my ears are full of candy-floss before we can get on with the story.

In the last two pictures the bad men accuse the Indian of being a horse thief and Cliff, looking stern now with both guns out, says:

"Maybe he is, but until it's proved none of you galsots is laying a finger on him."

I ask the little girl what she thinks will happen in the next instalment.

"I expect," she says, with a profound knowledge of cowboy plots, "the bad men have stolen the horses and are blaming the Indian. But you needn't worry. When I get home I'll send you my copy every week for nothing, thank you. I usually charge 2 for it."

With many thanks for her kindness I pay her for six second-hand copies in advance.

## Dream Sequence

THE London bus was flying to the moon. Molotov was driving it and Marshal Bulganin was the conductor shouting, "Fares, please. All fares ready, please."

Among the passengers were a British National Service man with long golden hair flowing over his shoulders, and his mother who was taking him to the moon to avoid an Army hair cut.

There was also a Teddy Boy who, like Bulganin, was with a razor when he asked for the fare, and a film star (male) who was going to the moon because he owed £300,000 income tax.

The National Service soldier was crying as his mother's lap because his seat was uncomfortable. The Teddy Boy tried to cut everybody's throat, and Marshal Bulganin said:

"I wanted to meet the British people. And here they are." He then offered everybody vodka and caviare.

The bus was travelling at 18,721.9 miles an hour. The earth was the size of a football, and the moon was growing bigger and bigger.

A flying boatload travelling at 10,000.2 miles an hour was overtaking us. It was driven by an Army sergeant carrying a pair of scissors. The only passengers were an income-tax collector.

We made a belly landing on the moon, where a Test Match between England and Australia was being played. The referee heard Zhukov shout out: "Goal! And Krushchev not out 43.7. A cricket commentator was saying another if this was a record."

As the Russians had landed all available cricket balls off the moon, Guyon and Statnam were playing lawn tennis near the grandstand while Zhukov and Krushchev ran about top between the wickets.

The British Government and the U.S. Army were trying to see if it was the National Service man's mother who had to go to it and said: "Fancy pants. I'll be there."

The Army sergeant tried to cut the soldier's long hair but the Teddy Boy was first with his razor, and shaved the soldier's head. When the mother tried to intervene the Teddy Boy shaved her head too. He also shaved the heads of the film star and the income-tax collector.

Marshal Bulganin said: "Now we all look like real soldiers. Let's have a party." The income-tax collector snapped handcuffs on the film star's wrists and asked: "When is the next bus back to earth?"

But the Teddy Boy coughed him and the party went on for seven days and nights with Zhukov and Krushchev still running between the wickets.

The latest score read Zhukov 14,502 not out and Krushchev 10,712 not out. (Times and Statnam were playing tennis.)

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## ★ Reaction To Malta's Plan

"TO great and unconquered Britain the love of the Maltese and the voice of Europe confirms these islands". Since 1814, that inscription has looked down on Palace Square, Valetta. It symbolises the free association of the tiny Mediterranean islands of Malta and its dependent Gozo, with the old Empire which was ruled from the British Isles. For the Maltese joined Britain, during the Napoleonic Wars, by their own choice. Their islands became a British colony, but were never colonised by force of British arms.

Now the old Empire is in process of transformation. It is growing into a free Commonwealth of Nations. Ten years ago, its members numbered six independent States. Today, Ireland has left us (formally, at least), but Ceylon, India and Pakistan have joined, so there are eight. And the process still continues. Gold Coast and Nigeria are next in line for independence, and the West Indies are not far behind.

## NEW DOCTRINE

To guide this transformation, a new doctrine has been developed. It has become accepted that the peoples of all the countries of the old Empire have an inherent right, first to self-government, then to independence. When they reach that second stage, they can freely choose whether they think their interests will be better served by remaining inside the Commonwealth, or whether, like Burma, they prefer to sever all formal links.

But there are still some exceptions to this general rule. A few of the very small, isolated

Can colonisation work in reverse? Could M.P.s from a colonial legislature sit in the House of Commons helping to govern the people of the United Kingdom? This problem, one of the trickiest in the history of the Commonwealth, has been posed by Malta.

By FRANCIS NOEL-BAKER, MP

territories ruled by Britain cannot ever hope to live as completely independent units. Practical obstacles of geography and economics are too great. For some parts of the West Indies, for example, the solution may be federation with neighbouring territories similarly placed. Others may seek complete incorporation into a bigger national unit. But for these so-called "non-viable" colonies, no general doctrine has yet been finally worked out.

## INTENSE INTEREST

That is one reason why the Round Table Conference which meets at Westminster on September 19 to discuss Malta's future will attract intense interest both in Britain and throughout the Commonwealth and Colonial countries.

For the Conference's decisions may herald an entirely new conception of the relationship between Britain and those non-viable colonies which cannot stand alone.

Last March, Doctor Dom Mintoff's Malta Labour Party fought a General Election. Its programme was dramatic. Unlike some other leaders in the Colonies, Mintoff called for fewer links with Britain, but for closer union. He proposed that Malta should gradually be incorporated into Britain's political, financial and social system until, over a period of twenty years, she becomes an integral part of the United Kingdom. He also proposed that Maltese M.P.s should sit in the House of Commons.

study all the implications with the greatest care.

For the British Parliament was designed, first and foremost, to govern Britain, and to represent only the British people in the home islands. Even such nearby dependencies as the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands have no Members in the House of Commons. But Northern Ireland does—as well as its own local Parliament at Belfast.

No doubt, during the coming Conference, the parallel of Northern Ireland will be often mentioned. But a more relevant one is of the British Isles, and Northern Ireland has long been part of the United Kingdom, with a strong community of interest, custom, culture and tradition. Malta's case is very different.

## THE BALANCE

If Maltese M.P.s sit with us in the House of Commons, they would be helping to govern the people of the United Kingdom. In an extreme—and hypothetical—case, this expression of "colonialism in reverse" could mean that a tiny group of Maltese Members might hold the balance between two equally matched British Parties.

Nevertheless, on both sides of the House, there seems to be much sympathy for the Mintoff plan. And, during the Conference, both sides will be fairly represented—along with members of Malta's Government and Opposition.

It is a little early to predict how the Conference will go. But already, in the eyes of my colleagues, it is assumed that Malta's plan, for union with the United Kingdom, will be accepted, and that after 141 years of British rule the Maltese will be granted the right to become full citizens of the United Kingdom.

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## YESTERDAY'S BOWLS

## LIDDELL AND HASSAN TO MEET IN THE OPEN SINGLES FINAL

By "TOUCHER"

Hongkong's Empire Games representative Eric Liddell and Colony 1953 Champion M. B. Hassan got through the semi-finals of the Colony Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship yesterday to qualify for the final to be played on Sunday, September 18, at Taikeo.

Before a good gathering of enthusiastic spectators, Liddell played superb bowls to defeat his more favoured and more reputed opponent, Raoul Luz, by the convincing score of 21-10 after 20 ends.

Both players were rather unlucky to draw a rather difficult green, and throughout the 20 ends neither of them really mastered the green whenever going towards the recesses.

Raoul Luz was well below his usual form, particularly in his resting shots which time and again missed their mark by the fraction of an inch. In contrast, Liddell was right up at his best not only in drawing but more especially in his heavy shots.

Raoul Luz started with a single and Liddell drew level on the second end. Luz took the lead again with another single for the last time in the game.

A brilliant heavy shot by Liddell on the fourth end enabled him to take out Luz's first shot for a count of three. Liddell followed this up with spectacular drawing to the jack on the fifth end to register a four.

His first wood was a foot away jack-high with the jack, his second a foot behind the jack, his third just resting the

jack-high shot and his fourth a clinging toucher.

Luz was short and narrow with his first wood, a yard through with his second, two feet short with his third and just wide of the mark with his fourth.

Luz returned compliments on the next head by also chalking up the maximum. Liddell was narrow and through with his first two woods as Luz drew in the first shot about a yard behind the jack and the second a foot in front.

Changing to the back hand, Liddell was again narrow and through. Luz shifted the jack a little for three and Liddell was again narrow through with his last wood, allowing Luz to draw in the fourth.

From 8-0, Liddell, however, had a slight edge over his opponent for the next four heads, scoring a single in each of them to lead by 12-4. Liddell maintained the lead up to 14-0, and then piled up a single, a two, another single and another two

on four successive heads to forge ahead to a winning 20-0 lead.

Luz managed to fight back with a single, but had to concede the match when Liddell drew in a toucher just behind the jack with his second wood on the 20th end.

## HASSAN v MA

The other match between M. B. Hassan and C. C. Ma was much closer affair and was not only a battle of skill but also of nerves. This went to 23 heads before Hassan clinched the winning shot after leading narrowly by 20-10.

It was anybody's game from beginning to end and there was very little to choose between the two players.

For C. C. Ma it was rather unfortunate that his nerves failed him at the crucial stages of the game when twice towards the end on the 21st and the 23rd heads he lost the jack by failing to throw it over the flag.

On the 21st head the score was 18-17 in Ma's favour when he was forced on to a full head. Ma was a yard short with his first wood and Hassan drew in the first six inches jack-high. Ma was slightly narrow with his second but was about 18 inches behind on the narrow side for the second shot.

Hassan was two feet short with his second wood, trying to protect his shot. Ma was short and narrow with his next wood and Hassan drew in the second short on the wide side behind. A heavy draw by Ma inside the opposing blocker, however, elicited the jack to the wrong side about two yards behind.

Hassan had the opportunity of ending the game then by coming narrow to either push up his own fourth shot or rest away the opposing third shot for a count of four. He, however, preferred to draw in the third shot to bring the score to 20-18.

After drawing in the first shot two feet behind the jack, Ma also had the chance of completing the game on the 22nd end.

His second wood was a yard through. Hassan was jack-high with his first and his second about a yard away. Ma just missed trailing the jack with his third and fourth wood and could only chalk up a single.

A lucky wick by Hassan on the 23rd head with his last wood ended the game. Ma failed to roll the jack over the flag and Hassan again threw a full head.

Hassan drew in the first short, about two feet jack high, but Ma improved on this by just sitting on it for the shot.

With a front wood in the way of a dead draw to the jack, Hassan actually played a narrow heavy draw either to rest the shot wood or trail the jack with his last delivery.

This, however, was narrow and hit the side of his own wood about two yards in front, about 18 inches behind the jack to give him the shot and the match.

## LADIES' RESULTS

Singles: Mrs. E. McLeod (TC) beat Mrs. M. Flanders (USRC) 21-14; Mrs. K. Tibbels beat Mrs. M. McEllean 21-10; Pair: Mrs. C. Newton and Mrs. L. Robertson (KQCC) beat Mrs. A. B. and Mrs. J. N. Scott (KQCC) 20-12; Mrs. G. Ollives and Mrs. Arliss (PRC) beat Mrs. Wake and Mrs. Moore (KQCC) 20-12; Mrs. D. Leslie and Mrs. P. Cosgrove (SGCC) beat Mrs. M. Green and Mrs. M. Hetherington (USRC) 20-12.

## FINAL ROUNDS

The draw for the concluding rounds of the Championships made yesterday at the HKFC, resulted as follows:

Open Pairs Semi-Finals: To be played at Rowland Cricket Club on Friday, September 9, at 3 p.m. sharp: J. T. Graham and R. B. Marshall (J. A. de Luz and R. B. Marshall) v. A. H. Soemba (C. C. Ma and A. H. Soemba) (PC).

Open Triples Semi-Finals: To be played at HKFC on Sunday, September 11, at 4 p.m. sharp: J. A. de Luz, E. R. Soemba and A. H. Soemba (J. A. de Luz, E. R. Soemba and A. H. Soemba) (C. C. Ma and A. H. Soemba) (PC).

## SELECTED FOR PAKISTAN



Seen at the Oval last week following the announcement of the names of the MCC team to tour Pakistan this winter are (left to right):—Barrington (Surrey), Loader (Surrey) and Sweetman (Surrey).—Central Press Photo.

## SCAA WIN THEIR FIRST MASSED START RACE FROM REME CC

By "N'TACA"

A new landmark in Colony cycling history was reached on Sunday, when the SCAA won their first Open Massed Start Race, taking the "Hop Yick" Shield away from the REME CC, holders for the past two years.

Their victory was the result of first-class riding and really good Team work. Au Cheung-sing, Ng Kai-man and Lam Hong rode together, with the leading bunch, throughout the race, refusing to split up when attacks were made. It was only over the last few miles that Lam Hong fell back, still managing to finish in fourth place.

At the three miles mark, just before the first climb of the longer side of Route 1, Beck derailed his chain, which was the signal for an immediate attack by Bouch of the Hussars, and the REME Team. The field spread out over the climb, and Beck caught up to form a group of seven riders. Beck once more lost his chain at eight miles, but the slow pace of the bunch enabled him to catch up within a few miles.

The turning point of the race came at 16 miles, when Bouch, Ellingham and Lum took the wrong turning, losing 28 minutes, and leaving the SCAA boys well clear. The three riders

ultimately retired, as their position was hopeless.

## FINE SOLO WIN

Fifteen miles to go, and Beck and Foster (Exiles), had a two minute lead on the three SCAA boys and Hodgkinson (REME). Up the hill, Beck dropped Foster, but waited for him, the two riding together for the next eight miles. Foster then took an almighty "pocket", being unable to ride, Beck going away to a fine solo win by 8 minutes, in 2-22 for the 51 miles.

Au Cheung-sing and Ng Kai-man put up an excellent sprint finish, Au getting the verdict for second place by a length. Lam Hong rolled in two minutes later to put the finishing touch to a really magnificent effort by the Chinese boys.

This win put SCAA only one point behind REME in the Team Championship race, and gives promise of many more wins during the season. Fifth position, and Second Team points, are suspended awaiting an investigation of allegations of assistance received by Foster, who was apparently pushed for about two miles before sprinting in to pip Hodgkinson for fourth place.

A couple of outstanding rides were by the fourth SCAA boy, Chan Mun-chow, and Newton, Exiles CC new boy. Chan Mun-chow crashed badly at 35 miles, borrowed a machine from a marshal, and carried on to finish, while Newton rode himself to a standstill in order to finish and gain points for his team. It will be a pity if his efforts are nullified by the disqualification of Foster for his alleged infringement of the rules.

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The World's Championships are over, and according to the information available, Britain has managed to salvage only the amateur Pursuit crown from last year's bag. Norman Shill and Pete Brotherton proved themselves the two best of the game in the world, finishing

ing in first and second positions respectively.

Gold medals appear to have been spread out fairly evenly over the competing countries, with the Italians getting their share. Their Maxes won the Professional Sprint in the absence, due to injuries, of Harris, and they took first three places in the Amateur Road race. Results not yet to hand are those of the Motor Paced race and the Amateur Sprint.

At home the battle for the BBAR is not yet over. Roy Booty has a comfortable lead for the premier title, but minor placings are still undecided, with new names appearing regularly. Vic Gibbons made an attempt to reduce his deficit on Booty in the Southern and City "50", but although he rode the fourth fastest ever race at the distance, has made up only .004 mph on his rival. He had the consolation of leading his Brentwood team to a new Team Competition record, in 6-5-49.

## SENSATIONAL RESULT

Ron Jowers took the Vegetables "50" with the astounding time of 1-37.7, just 23 seconds outside record. Alce Coward, whose 1-58-55 "50" made news last week, is once again in the headlines. He rode his first "100", returning to the time-keeper in 4-12-20, a phenomenal performance. This on a course that included five "HALT" signs.

The BLRC Professional-Independent Road Championship race, held over a very tough 103 mile route, had a sensational result. Tony Hoar, the "Hercules" rider, broke away at 34 miles to go, building up a lead of 1 min. 45 secs on the bunch. At six miles to go, he had the same lead, then came tragedy.

His efforts in the "Tour de France", and the subsequent races on the Continent, had their delayed effect, and he just "blew up". It was left to Graham Vines, riding his first race in the "Wearwell" colours, to beat Maitland and Russell in the sprint, and claim for himself the £100 prize. The "Hercules" Team won the team award with three riders in the first five.

Forthcoming events Sunday, September 11, starting at T.T. 1 at 10.30 a.m., is the Pegasus CC "25" September 12, starting at 10.30 a.m., is the Pegasus CC 57 miles Circuit Race, for the "Pegasus" Cup, September 25, starting at M.S. 1 at 10 a.m. the NTACA Championship "100" time trial. All riders are eligible to ride for times towards the "SCCC" Cup and the Team Championship. The winning NTACA Team will receive the "Clegg" Cup.

## League Soccer Results

London, Sept. 6. Association Football results: LEAGUE DIVISION I Arsenal 0 Manchester C.O. LEAGUE DIVISION II Bristol City 3 West Ham 1. LEAGUE III (SOUTH) Watford 1 Reading 0. LEAGUE III (NORTH) Grimsby T. 1 Carlisle U. 0. Southampton 2 Gateshead 0. Tranmere R. 0 Darlington 1. SCOTTISH LEAGUE U.P. Dumbarton 2 Morton 1. SCOTTISH LEAGUE DIVISION "B" Stenhousemuir 5 Arbroath 1. Reuter.

## British Compromise Enables Valdes To Wear White Shorts

London, Sept. 6.

Nino Valdes, the Cuban Heavyweight, will be allowed to wear his white shorts when he meets Britain's Champion, Don Cockell, at the White City on September 13.

But they must be covered with dark material, except for two inches of white showing down each side.

This decision, by an Emergency Committee of the British Boxing Board of Control today, was accepted by Valdes' manager.

Valdes had caused a near sensation when he arrived in London last week by stating that unless he could wear white shorts he would not fight.

The British Board's rules forbid the wearing of white but Valdes explained that he is a Roman Catholic, that his

white trunks had been blessed by a priest and he had sworn never to fight in any other colour.

## DETERMINATION

He refused even to train yesterday in a pair of red shorts when his white ones had been left in his hotel and he waited until the latter were brought to the gymnasium.

Because of Valdes' determination, the emergency meeting of the Board was called for today, and agreement reached. So far as the dark material is concerned it has been suggested that it should be Cuban blue, one of the colours of the Cuban national flag.

It was later stated that Valdes himself accepted the Board's ruling and was grateful for their decision.

After consideration he said he would not have a blue covering but had decided on red.—China Mail Special.

## LEAGUE TENNIS

## South China Win "A" Division Championship

The South China Athletic Association beat the Chinese Recreation Club by seven games to two to win the Men's "A" Division Tennis League Championship played yesterday on the HKCC courts before a large crowd.

K. H. Ip, Colony Champion, partnering K. C. Doo; and Edwin Tsui and Tony Liang won all matches against their opponents.

Patrick Poon and Khoo Sin Oei (SCAA) lost to W. P. Tsui and Y. P. Tsui 5-7; and V. T. Wang and Dr. G. Choi 3-6. They beat T. K. Choy and Ho Cheung-po (CRC) 6-3.

Results of other matches were: Edwin Tsui and Tony Liang (SCAA) beat W. P. Tsui and Y. P. Tsui 6-4; beat V. T. Wang and G. Choi 6-4; beat T. K. Choy and Ho Cheung-po 6-1. Patrick Poon and Khoo Sin Oei lost to W. P. Tsui and Y. P. Tsui 5-7; lost to V. T. Wang and Choi 3-6; beat T. K. Choy and Ho Cheung-po 6-3.

Championship shields were presented by Mrs. E. B. Story to winners in six divisions of the Tennis League. They were Senior Men's "A" Division — SCAA; Men's "B" Division — SCAA; Men's "D" Division — USRC; Ladies "A" Division — USRC; Ladies Mixed "A" Division — SCAA; and Ladies Mixed "B" Division — CRC.

## HOME RUGGER

London, Sept. 6. Rugby League results: LANCAIRE CUP AND ROUND. Barrow 34, Workington T. 10. Rochdale H. 13, Warrington 25.—Reuter.

## Empire Games Class Performances At Malayan AAA Championships

The Fiji Infantry Regiment athletes were the star performers of the Malayan AAA Championships at Ipoh on August 26 and 27, but there were also some excellent performances in Empire Games class by Singapore and Malayan athletes.

The best individual performance of the meeting was that of Fijian soldier Tomasi Naidole who won the 120 Yards High Hurdles from teammate Josiah Kobiti, both being timed in 14.6 seconds, the 440 Yards Hurdles in 54.5 seconds, the Hop, Step and Jump at 48 feet 8 inches and the Long Jump at 21 feet 6 inches.

Fijian Josefa Levula returned 9.8 seconds in heat, semi-final and final of the 100 Yards, 21.5 seconds in a heat of the 220 Yards around a full turn and 21.8 seconds in the final.

No fewer than five runners beat even time for the 100 Yards, Lt. Emorsli Levula also returning 9.8 seconds in a heat. Singapore's Tan Eng-yoon, 9.9 seconds in semi-final and final, and Peter Lillingston and Kelantan's Sidique Merican, 9.9 seconds in the semi-finals. Eng-yoon was second and Lt. Emorsli Levula third in the final.

Singapore's Tan Eng-yoon clocked 22.0 seconds behind Josefa Levula in the final of the 220 Yards and placed second to Naidole in the Hop, Step and Jump with a personal record of 48 feet.

## MALAY RECORDS

A native Malay became the joint holder of a Malayan AAA record when Negri Sembilan's Rahim Ahmad equalled L.D.E. Cullen's Championship best of 50.0 seconds in a heat of the 440 Yards. Ahmad won the final in 50.1 seconds. Sidique Merican, it may be noted, is the first native Malay to break even time for the 100 Yards.

Singapore's Asian Games silver-medallist in the 400 Metres Hurdles, Chan Onn-leng, was beaten into third place in his specialty, second place in the 440 Hurdles, at Ipoh going to George Caudre of the Fiji Infantry. Place times in the race are unavailable, but Caudre clocked a fast 55.4 in the heats.

Mary Kinas of Singapore, silver-medallist in the 100 Metres Dash at the last Asian Games, set a Malayan AAA record of 11.5 seconds in the final of the 100 Yards Dash after Selangor's Annie Chong had first beaten the old record with 11.6 seconds in the heats. Mary Kinas also equalled the 220 Yards record with 28.7 seconds.

Annie Chong won the Long Jump with a record 17 feet 1 1/2 inches. Reported to be in the 16-foot class in training, she took only one jump. Singapore's Ong Soon-ihong won the Women's High Jump at 4 feet 10 inches for another MAAA record as 16-year-old Ruth Ferreira of Singapore, who cleared 4 feet 10 1/2 inches at Singapore on July 16, was sidelined with an ankle injury.

Jerome Henderson, who had brought up his personal best to 6 feet 2 1/2 inches at Singapore on August 10, won the High Jump with exactly 6 feet.

Cyril Pereira of Johore upset Kernal Singh of Singapore, the favourite, to win the Pole Vault at 11 feet 6 inches.

Teng Pei-wah of Singapore, the Asian Games bronze medallist in the Women's 80 Metres Hurdles, won again in 12.4 seconds—surprisingly fast going in her only race of the year.

OTHER WINNERS: Other winners were: 880-Yards Kenneth Pereira of Selangor, 2 minutes 1.1 seconds.

One Mile—Garnett of Singapore in 4 minutes 34.5 seconds with Jack Wood, formerly of the RAF Kai Tak, second.

Three Miles—L/M Meadowcroft of Singapore in 16 minutes 42.6 seconds.

Shot Put—Kuan King-lam of Perak with 40 feet 8 inches.

## COCKS DIES IN CAR CRASH

Avallon, Central France, Sept. 6.

Linsay Cocks, Australian track cyclist, died here today in hospital from injuries received during a car crash yesterday.

Cyril Pocock, former British holder of the World Amateur Sprint Championship, who was driving the car, was in the same hospital with chest injuries. His condition was described as "not serious." — China Mail Special.

## Field For St Leger Reduced To Eight

London, Sept. 6.

The field for tomorrow's St Leger turf classic at Doncaster was tonight reduced to eight with the news that True Cavalier, Harbour Bar and Our Babu are not running. It will be the smallest since Bahram beat seven rivals in 1935.

The coughing epidemic which is ravaging most of the training centres in Britain is largely responsible for the small field. Altogether 10 final acceptors for the classic have contracted the virus.

The race is timed to start at 1415 GMT.

Lady Zia Wemher's filly, Mell, who has arrived at Doncaster fit and free from coughing, was tonight made an odds-on favourite for tomorrow's St. Leger at the final Victoria Club callover here.

It was the first time Mell has been odds-on since official callovers began and there were no takers. Earlier some backers had accepted even money to fair amounts.

## CHALLENGERS

If Lady Wemher's fine filly triumphs tomorrow she will be the first of her sex to win Britain's oldest turf classic at the Town Moor. Course since book law in 1927.

Beau Prince and Cobetto, the two French challengers, were flown across from France today and arrived safely looking fit

and well. The pair, who are expected to prove Mell's chief rivals, were not substantially supported tonight. Beau Prince eased to 7 to 2, while Cobetto was clipped one point to eight to one.

Marwar, mount of Australian "Scoble" Breasley, was the best supported outsider at 100 to 8. Previously he had been at 100 to 6.

Nucleus, to be ridden by young Lester Piggot, was fairly well backed and closed two points shorter than last night's price.

Final odds for the eight probabilities for the one mile six furlongs and 132 yard event were:

5 to 4 on Mell, 7 to 2 Beau Prince, 8 to 1 Cobetto and Nucleus, 100 to 8 Marwar, 100 to 7 Daemon, 33 to 1 Lovely Vatel, 50 to 1 Miss Rigton.—China Mail Special.

## THE GAMBOLE

by Barry Appleby



## GOLDEN CHURN

















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## The Law And The In-Law

AFTER the old man's conviction, in the summer of last year, the family felt they must be firm.

"You must never do it again," they said.

"I won't," said the old man, whose name was Herbert. "I'll never take no more bets, long as I live." He had been fined in the court for loitering in the street for the purpose of betting.

"Swear you won't do it again," Herbert's son-in-law pressed.

"I swear," the old man said. He was getting to be bored with the pressure being applied.

### UNDER CONTROL

FOR a year, Herbert managed to keep his interest in races under control. But the other day, it happened again.

As he stood at the corner of Camden Town, thinking of the green sweep of distant race-courses, and of the chances animals had of winning, whom his acquaintances believe unbeatable, a stranger came up. A young man who said: "I'm a police officer. I'm arresting you for loitering for the purpose of betting."

"But, I was just looking after this paper stand for a friend," Herbert protested. "The men as come up to me was buying papers."

"Funny that they gave you money and didn't take a paper, then," the policeman said.

### 'GUILTY' PLEA

AT the Clerkenwell court next morning, Herbert, a rugged, self-contained little man, pleaded guilty to the charge against him, and the story of his arrest was told to Mr. Frank Powell.

"I suppose the bookmaker is here to pay his fine," said the magistrate, when he had heard enough.

"No, sir," said the officer, who had told the story. "I believe they just make use of this man."

Herbert chimed in, then. "No one's here for me," he said. "I wasn't taking bets. I just have my old-age pension."

"But you've pleaded guilty," the magistrate said.

"He thought it would save trouble," cried a voice from the public gallery. The gaoler went over. "It's this man's son-in-law, sir," he said. "He would like to speak."

### HE SWORE

HERBERT'S son-in-law came round to the witness-box. "This man's been wrongly convicted," he said. "He hasn't been convicted yet," said Mr. Powell. "He pleaded guilty."

"I made him swear, after last time," said Herbert's son-in-law. "What about these slips of paper he had on him?" the magistrate asked, holding up some blank, lined bits of paper the police had found in Herbert's pocket.

"He never had them on him," said Herbert's son-in-law.

"But your father-in-law agrees that they were in his pocket," the magistrate said.

"I made him swear, and he did swear he wouldn't do it again," the son-in-law countered.

"Stand down," said the magistrate. "I find this case proved. Anything known?"

"This man was fined £7 for street betting in 1954," said the gaoler.

"Pay £5," said the magistrate. Herbert nodded, and went away. His son-in-law followed hard on his heels. It looked as though a little later there would be another oath-taking ceremony for the old man.

## Housebreaker Apprehended

Pleading guilty to house-breaking with intent to commit a felony, Wong King-tan, 24, unemployed and of no fixed abode, was sentenced to 18 months' hard labour by Mr. J. E. Durling at Central this morning.

Inspector P. C. Young said that at 4.30 a.m. on September 6, defendant was seen by a constable walking in a suspicious manner in Wongmiching Road. Wong was stopped, questioned and searched. In his right hip pocket was found a wallet containing \$110. He admitted that he stole it from a pair of trousers hanging on the wall of a bedroom of 42 King Kwong Street, first floor.

## Floods Make 60,000 Homeless

# HUNDREDS MAROONED ON ROOFTOPS

Mexico City, Sept. 6. Rescue brigades in rowboats and rafts tried to rescue the last of an estimated 60,000 flood victims from rooftops in the Northern slums of Mexico City tonight while more cold rain poured down upon them.

A team of "frogmen" probed murky flood waters with the aid of movie floodlights tonight in search of bodies. Rescue teams feared "many" bodies might still be trapped inside shacks and houses covered by the deep waters. Nine bodies were reported recovered but there was no official count of the dead.

Many persons, fearing their homes would be looted by organised gangs which police said were operating in rowboats and oil-drum rafts, refused to leave their rooftops. Red Cross boats shuttled food to them.

Officials said "hundreds" were still marooned on the roofs of their humble homes. The slum sector turned into a lake 12 feet deep. It was inundated by rain from the tropical storm Gladys.

Gladys was dying tonight. The rivers had stopped rising though cold rain still fell. Tampico and many other cities in Mexico were faced with flood.

### CHILDREN DROWNED

Nine children were drowned by the storm in Mexico City and two others in Texas. Many others in Mexico were missing. At least 22 persons were missing or marooned along the Western Gulf of Mexico.

Fierce squalls swept the Western Gulf late today. A new low pressure trough, like the one that produced Gladys, was reported in the Eastern Gulf about 400 miles away.

Gladys was blowing itself out in the Sierra Madre Oriental range after swerving unexpectedly away from Texas rich Rio Grande Valley and driving weakly inland. But its dying gasps dumped rain into overflowing rivers along the coast and as far south as Mexico City, where the downpour was the worst in 25 years.

The port of Tampico, threatened by the turbulent Panuco River, was being barricaded by hundreds of volunteer workers erecting sandbag dykes. Water stood more than two feet deep in the centre of Tehuacan, a resort 100 miles west of Vera Cruz. Other cities were faced with rising waters. Officials in Mexico City estimated that 60,000 persons were homeless.

### OPERATIONS HAMPERED

Evacuation operations were reported "extremely difficult" because thousands of victims refused to leave the fringes of the flooded section and were trying to return on rafts to search for friends, relatives and household belongings.

Emergency shelters were set up throughout the city and food kitchens operated today, on the fringes of the flooded section. The Health Ministry began mass inoculations against typhoid at first aid tents around the stricken area.

In the midst of the tragedy, dozens of fun-loving youths paddled along the flooded streets on rafts made of oil drums, waving gleefully to thousands who have refused to leave their rooftops.

One Red Cross official said, "Mexicans have always lived in tragedy. We find something funny in everything that happens."—United Press.

## Runaway Balloon

### Scientists Give Up Hope

Minneapolis, Sept. 6. Scientists sadly waved goodbye today to a huge runaway balloon which has been bobbing 20 miles above the earth with a cargo of mice and guinea pigs for six days.

The balloon took off for Canada last night and the Air Force announced that it would not shoot it down even if it got low enough for a jet plane's guns to hit it. That left the balloon and its cargo up in the air until leakage or some other cause brings it down.

Scientists for Winzer Research Incorporated, which launched the balloon, said it might take weeks for that to happen. In the meantime, an advancing cool front appeared likely to wait the balloon all the way to the Atlantic Ocean.

The scientists had given up hope for the 15 live mice and guinea pigs which went up with the 25-storey-high balloon at International Falls on Thursday.

The animals undoubtedly had died because of lack of oxygen, the scientists said. But they wanted to get their hands on the balloon's 50-pound gondola because of the valuable data on cosmic rays which they have recorded.

The Air Force had ordered the tests to obtain information about possible dangers to humans in space voyages of the future. The gondola was supposed to have parachuted back to earth late Thursday. But some tiny mechanism apparently went wrong and the gondola stayed up with the balloon, which for five days floated back and forth over Minnesota, sometimes dipping as low as 55,000 feet and then bobbing back to the edge of space.

An Air Force jet stood ready for a while to go up and open fire on the balloon if it got as low as 40,000 feet. But Air Force officials finally rejected the idea and in the meantime the balloon left the country. It was plainly visible late yesterday from Fort Ontario in Canada. Observers said it looked pretty in the sunset sky — just like a beautiful star. — United Press.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"If that's the casserole of lima beans and ham he's having, I don't want it—it looks indigestible!"

## Accused Of Stabbing Fiancee's Sister

Alleged to have stabbed his fiancee's elder sister because she advised her to break off their engagement, Li Kee-ting stood trial in the Victoria District Court this morning. He was charged before Judge J. Reynolds with wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

Prosecuting, Insp. K. Bodie said that the complainant, Yung Lai-kuen, aged 22, lived with her family at 292 Lockhart Road, ground floor. Her younger sister, May-kuen, had been engaged to the accused for almost four years, but recently they had had many quarrels.

On July 30 the accused walked into the Yung house and handed two slips of red paper to his fiancee telling her to write out an agreement to break their troth.

The accused had taken a kitchen knife from the cupboard. He told Lai-kuen that if her sister broke off their engagement he would "do something to show her."

Lai-kuen asked whether he was going to assault her sister. The accused then produced the knife and stabbed her six times in the arm, chest and back.

Dr. Wong Chi-lam who attended to the complainant at Queen Mary Hospital, said that the wounds were superficial cuts and some required stitching.

He said that he also attended to the accused the same night. He had a cut on the palm.

### SISTER'S ADVICE

Yuen Lai-kuen testified that her sister and her fiancee quarrelled frequently and when her sister asked for her advice as to the signing of the red paper, she told her that it was advisable to dissolve the engagement since their relationship had deteriorated to such an extent.

As soon as her sister left the room to ask her father how to write on the paper, the accused said he would "show her something" if she broke off their engagement. When she asked

## Lorry Driver Fined \$15

For driving a lorry without consideration for others, An Chien was fined \$15 and had his licence endorsed by Mr. W. N. Thomas, Tam at Central this morning.

Wong Wing, from driver, said that at about 8.45 on the morning of May 27 he was taking his arm out from the depot. When he reached the junction of Leighton Road and Morrison Road, he noticed a lorry coming towards him at high speed. They both screeched to a stop, but because the lorry was moving too fast it stopped directly in his track, resulting in a collision. The front bumper of the lorry pierced the metal sheet in front of the truck.

Accused denied this, saying that it was due to the fact that the brakes of his car jammed, and he could not move his lorry forward or backwards.

Mr. Tam commented that accused had told the court a "lousy" story.

## Defence Opens In Rape Trial

### SUBMISSION IS OVERRULED

A Defence submission of no case to answer on behalf of all four accused in the rape trial was this morning overruled by Mr Justice A. D. Scholes at the Criminal Sessions.

The accused are Ng Wai-lee, alias Ka Tsai, 20, unemployed, Ng Chun-choi, 21, unemployed, Chan Kwok-yau, alias Yau Tsai, 18, office boy, and Chow Kau, alias Ah Kau, 26, car cleaner.

First accused is alleged in the first count to have raped a 24-year-old dance hostess, Li Kwok-ying, alias Tung Mei, on June 1, while the other three are alleged to have aided and abetted in this offence.

The second count alleges that the second accused raped the hostess, and first accused with aiding and abetting him.

In the third count, that of forcible detention, all the accused are alleged to have detained complainant against her will with intent to know her carnally.

All four accused are defended by Mr V. L. J. D'Alton and Mr Karminder Gill, both instructed by Mr W. H. Young, Mr D. N. E. Rea, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting, assisted by Detective-Sub-Inspector E. Jones.

The four youths allegedly lured the hostess from the Sing Sing Ballroom with a false story about a friend of hers and then took her to the Shan Kwong Hotel, Happy Valley, where the offences are alleged to have taken place.

This morning, after a Police interpreter, Chan Chai-lee, had testified as to being present at identification parades at Bay View Police Station and at Victoria Remand Prison, Mr Rea announced the close of the Prosecution's case.

### SUBMISSION

Mr D'Alton then said he would submit there was no case to go before the Jury. He had no objection to the Jury being present during his submission.

Referring the Court to a legal authority in support, Mr D'Alton submitted that the position was that it was the duty of Counsel for the Defence in such a case as this to make such a submission, since the Trial Judge could not decide whether there was a case to go before the Jury unless such a submission was made.

In Crown Counsel's opening, Mr D'Alton went on to give a definition of rape: carnal knowledge by force, fraud or threat. In this particular case, the case against the accused must be considered separately. The Prosecution's case was generally against all four accused as a whole.

More carnal knowledge of a woman, he stated, was not rape at all, although it was the duty of the Prosecution to prove there was carnal knowledge. He submitted that the case of proof of the absence of consent on the part of the woman to the act was on the Prosecution.

### NO EVIDENCE

Mr D'Alton said the Prosecution case started with the allegation that complainant was lured from the ballroom by a false story told her by first accused, in the presence of third accused. On this point, there was no evidence against second and fourth accused.

The fourth accused arrived at the ballroom at the last moment, when the decision to leave had already been taken by complainant.

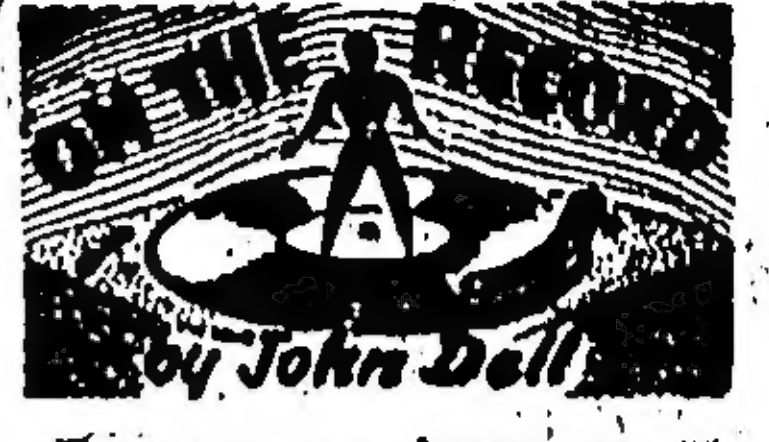
Complainant had said she was prevented by first accused from leaving the ballroom, and that the whole group had gone subsequent to leaving the ballroom.

But, Counsel said, the licence of the stall was unable to confirm to the Police that complainant was being detained there by the accused. And after the friend of complainant, who later joined the group, complainant could not have been in any doubt about the falsity of accused's story regarding Wan.

Mr D'Alton said complainant's evidence that she was lured by first accused was not supported by the evidence of Wan Yau-ling. Wan had only said that first accused put his arm out on one occasion to try and stop complainant from running away.

### NOT SUPPORTED

Complainant's evidence was further that she was dragged into the Shan Kwong Hotel, that first accused shouted at



Tapes, as you know, are replacing discs in the radio and recording studios and although there is not much likelihood of them doing so in the retail world for quite some time in America music stores tapes are helping to save discs from wear and tear.

One of the major headaches for the owner of a record shop is the damage sometimes suffered by LP's when they are being listened to by a prospective customer. The latest device enables the work to be heard from a tape which of course doesn't scratch and which can be played time and time again without losing quality in any way.

Reports indicate that not only does the tape save the records from wear and tear but it also sells a few tape recorders!

### Faces Were Red

A week or so ago the NBC record library had a red face all the way down. During a Radio Fan Club show the master of ceremonies introduced his guests the Four Coins, and signalled to the engineer to put on their latest record.

"Maybe," the listening millions heard instead the voice of Tony Bennett singing "Funny Thing" and a great deal of telling off went on until it was realised that the record had on the label "Maybe" by the Four Coins. This at first appeared to be just a slip that could happen to anyone, but the big chiefs of NBC said that it was because it showed that the record had been passed into the library without being heard... and all records are supposed to be vetted and passed for public consumption. Nowadays there is a much tighter system of checking the NEC.

### Odds And Ends

Doris Dick Columbia to carry through four songs. Her full time contract ran out, recently and negotiations are going on for the renewal. Doris is just about the hottest recording star there is nowadays, certainly Columbia's best.

Mindy Carson recorded a tune called "Wake the Town" just before she moved from Columbia and it begins to look as though it's going to be a hit. Strange that this should happen because Mindy didn't get a good one for about the last four years with the label.

A book for jazz men is due to be published in America this week. It is written by jazz critic Leonard Feather and is called "The Encyclopedia of Jazz".

Over a quarter of a million words are there and the cost is US\$10.

### Record Review

The two records this week are by Portugal's greatest singer Amalia Rodrigues. They are "ANG 6402" and on one, in Spanish on one side, Portuguese on the other. The four "fados" are typical and filled with a melancholy beauty. The best known is undoubtedly "Coimbra" from which came "Aprazil Portugal" but it's pretty "Uma Casa Portuguesa". The flamenco on the Spanish side are again typical with more fire and life than the fados. In both types of song the accompaniment is beautifully done by a "Guitarra" and a "Viola". This is a record for any Portuguese, Spaniard or anyone who like beautiful singing.

The second disc by Amalia Rodrigues is called simply "Amalia de Portugal" and contains six songs in Portuguese and two in Spanish. Again the wonderful voice and the haunting sadness.

It may not have too much effect on many people but I must confess that it is an added pleasure to know that "the songs are sung by a woman who looks as beautiful as she sounds."

Recording quality of both discs is crisp and clear and does justice to the voice and the unusual accompaniment.

## Claims Accident Due To Child

"A small child dashed out from the pavement, I swung my car to the right to avoid hitting him, but it was unfortunate that I rammed into another car which was passing me at that moment," said Kun Sik-kau, a 20-year-old student of the New Method College when he pleaded not guilty to a charge of careless driving before Mr W. N. Thomas, Tam at Central this morning.

Accused was fined \$25 and his licence was endorsed.

Pau Hon-lam, a teacher in the Stanley Prison, told the court that on May 21, he was driving a car along King's Road behind another vehicle. As he approached the entrance to Comfort Terrace, he noticed another car moving at a slow rate in the inner lane. He was passing it when it suddenly swerved out and rammed his car. His car suffered a badly dented and scratched mid-guard.

Accused was told that while the court was prepared to accept his story of the child, he should nevertheless have noticed him while he was still on the pavement.

Defendant had two previous convictions for a similar offence.

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